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DECATUR CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
DECATUR, INDIANA
FINAL VOLUME

The Decatur Catholic schools have been marked by rapid growth over the years. Last year's Tattler had this enormous expansion as its theme; this year's Tattler witnessed the only possible result. Steadily progressing and overflowing, the grade school has now finally taken over the much needed high school classrooms. Tiny benches were being readied and in place even before graduation exercises for the last high school class were completed. And the undergraduates prepare to begin anew in public schools.

For forty-four years, Decatur Catholic High School has prepared her students to face the challenges of an ever growing world. She has taught them to live, to love, to grow in faith and knowledge. And her students have repaid her through their leadership in school, church, and community. Many hundreds have graduated from D.C.H.S., many never to return, but always proudly to carry her name and fondly to cherish all she has represented to them.

The Tattler Staff of 1967 wishes to dedicate this yearbook to all the graduates of Decatur Catholic High School, from the first five in 1923 to the last 62 in 1967. It is a tribute to all who have been a part of D.C.H.S., to all who have worked to make us feel our just pride in her.

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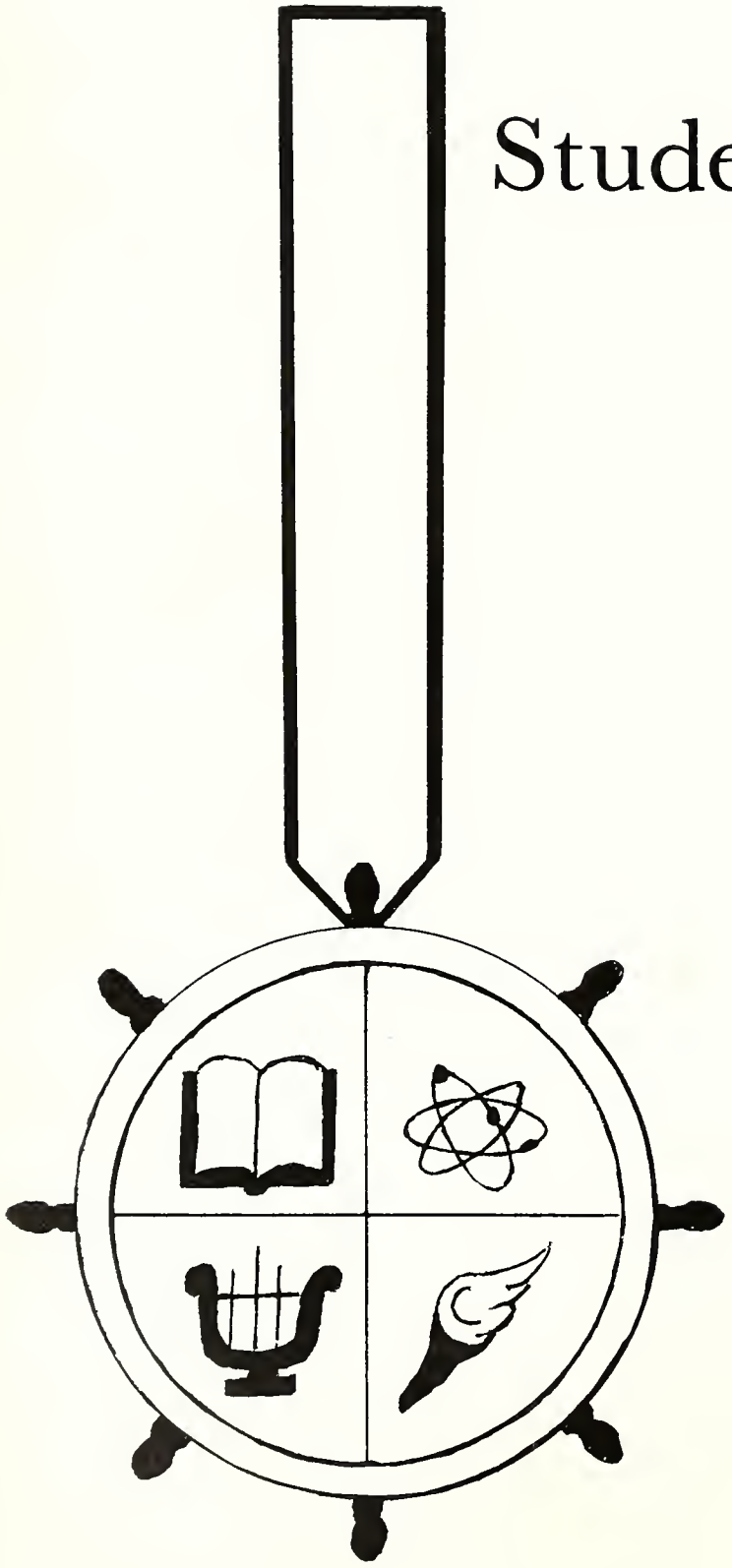
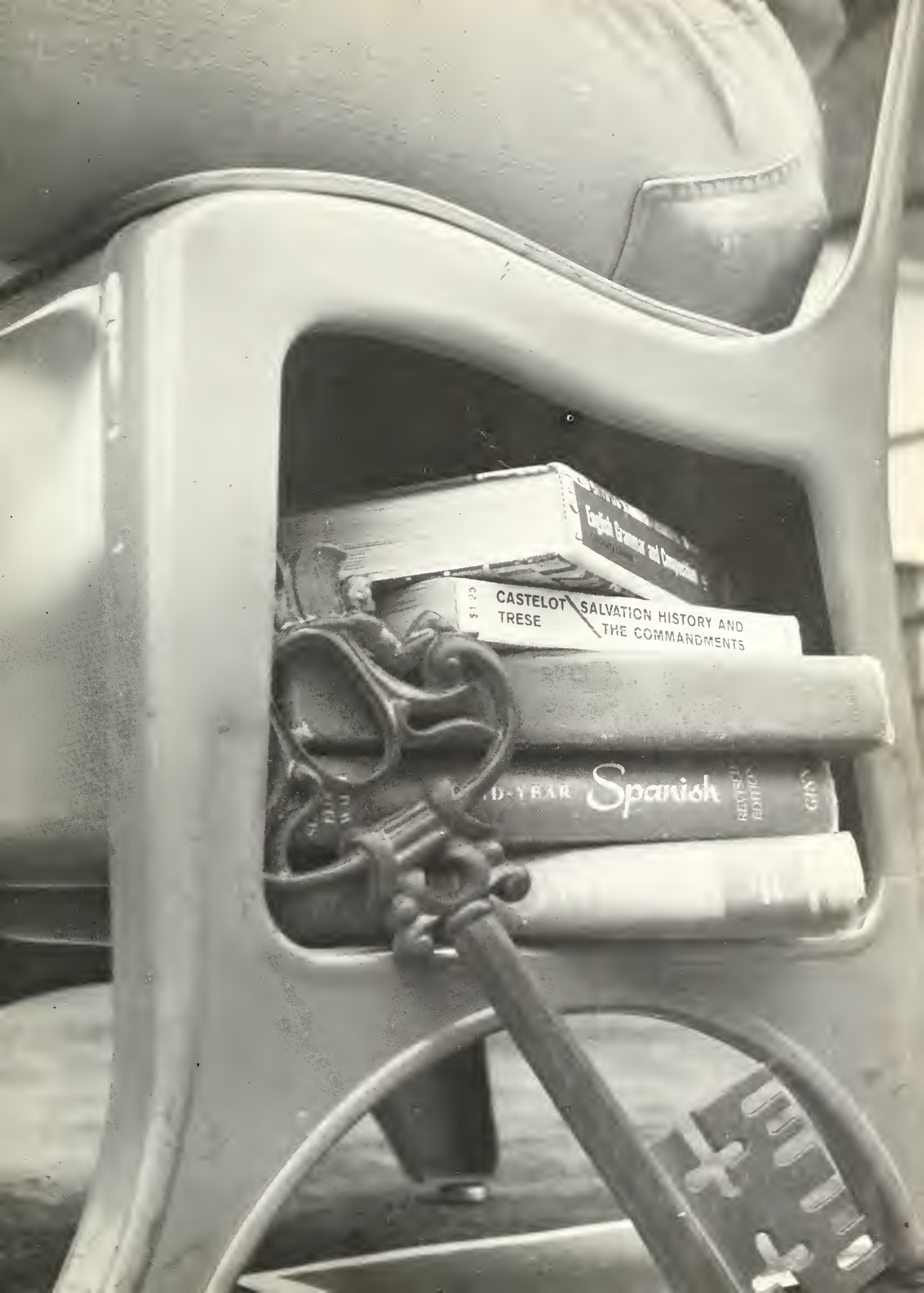
Student Life



Students found the key to their future in the recurring incidents of school life. Sharing lockers and lunches together, fearing tests and trials together, surviving term papers and tension-packed ball games together, earning triumphs and trophies together,--all these open doors onto the vista of our lifelong pursuit of learning and loving.


CASTELOT
TRESE
SALVATION HISTORY AND
THE COMMANDMENTS
Spanish

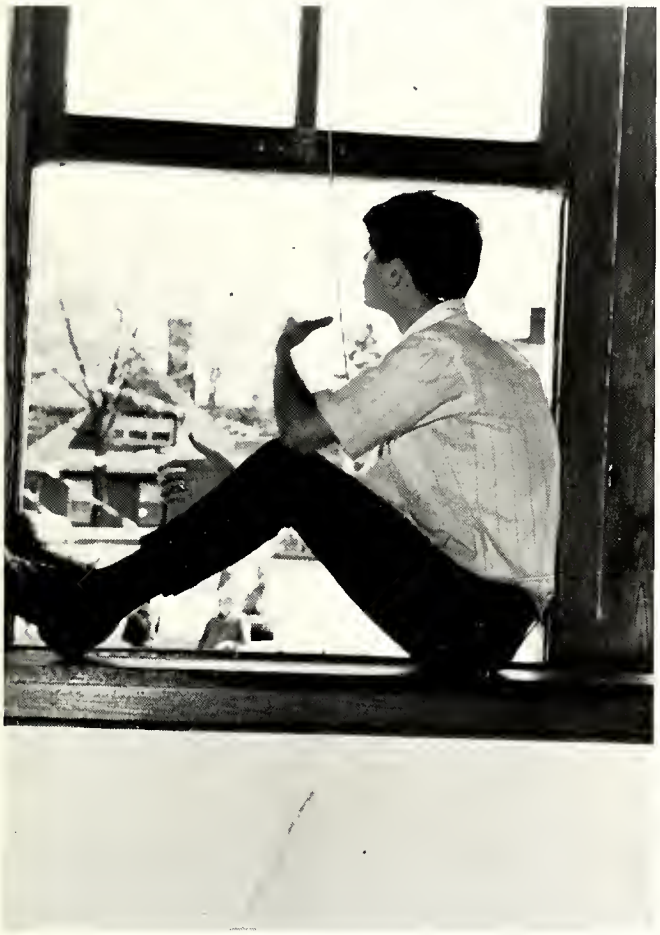
The Future: Planned for, Dreamed of, Worked for . . .

Paul Mendez is one of the lucky ones: this is the serious approach to work that explains why his future is already mapped out.

"If I volunteer to look it up, can I get out of reading the next time?"--John thinks studying foreign policy is bad enough; when it gets "ambivalent", it's time to quit!

The Animals take a pointer from the leader of the pack.

but Its Key Lies in the Present; Look About You!



"To be or not to be, that is the question," muses our surveyor of life and leisure. Any answers, Phil?

"Has Charlotte suddenly become camera shy?" wonder Rosie and Darlene.

"Dont' clap; just throw money . . . "Those Business English speeches have loosened up The Big One, haven't they, Tom?

Maggie! I think I just sewed my finger! How many points for that?

Whether Intellectual or Physical, Social or Solitary . . .

Waiting for the last bus every day for four years CAN be a drag, Mary, but there's nothing like a hand of solitare to draw all-knowing, friendly advisors.

"Anybody want to trade a white Chevy for a pink rhinoceros?" inquire J. Walsh and R. Kuhnle. "It may sound a little odd, but we have this artist-type friend, see . . . "

Early, EARLY in the morning meet the brave men of Super English. This is that oh-so-practical class that's the envy of us all, where they study movies, newspapers . . . you name it. Ummm, funnies, Twim?

. . . the Pursuits of Today Sow the Fruits of Tomorrow.

Mrs. Miller's flying class will now wind for their takeoff; but it looks like M. Ranly won't be able to get off the ground!

Are they really studying, or did the library supervisor just walk in?

That stack of texts is really camouflage; Jean has a paperback on the go.

Students Realize the Value of Work and Play Together.

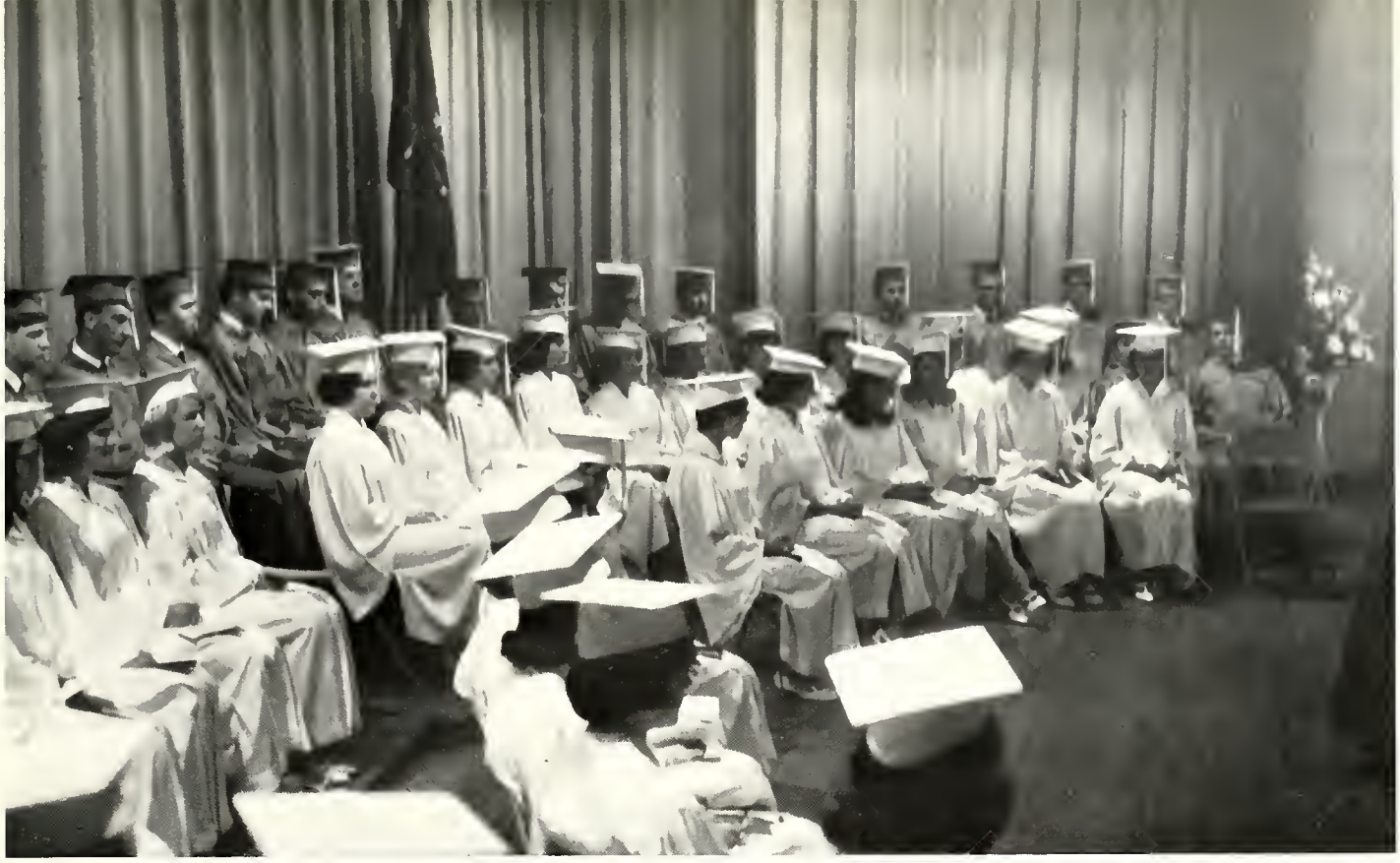
Aw come on, Phyllis, this isn't yearbook work.

If this is all there is to being a teacher, I would have tried it long ago.

Phil Rumschlag proves he can work if he really tries.

Tired but happy, this shortland class poses after winning an award.

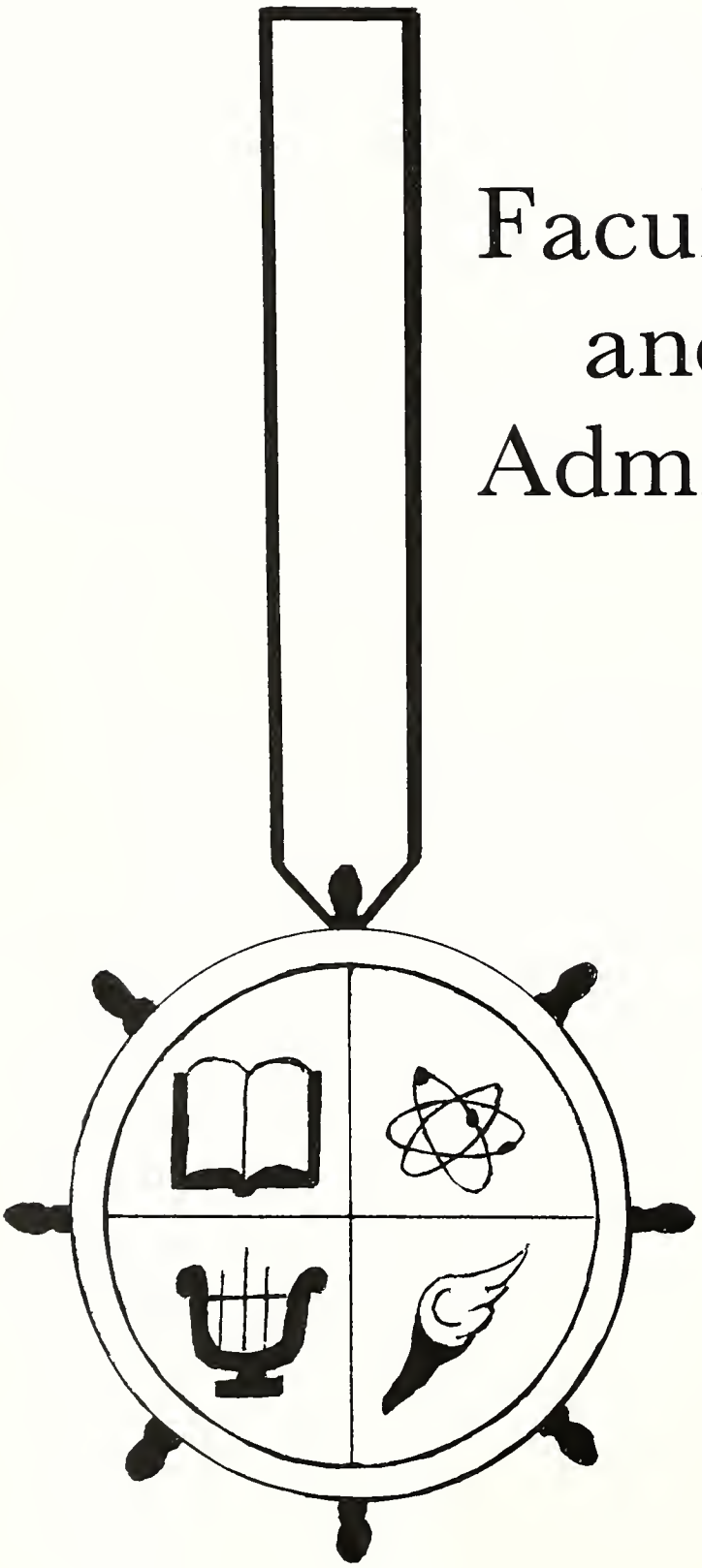
John, Dan, and Skin are the founders of D.C.H.S.'s "Girl-Watchers Club."



For the graduates this is more of a beginning than it is an end.

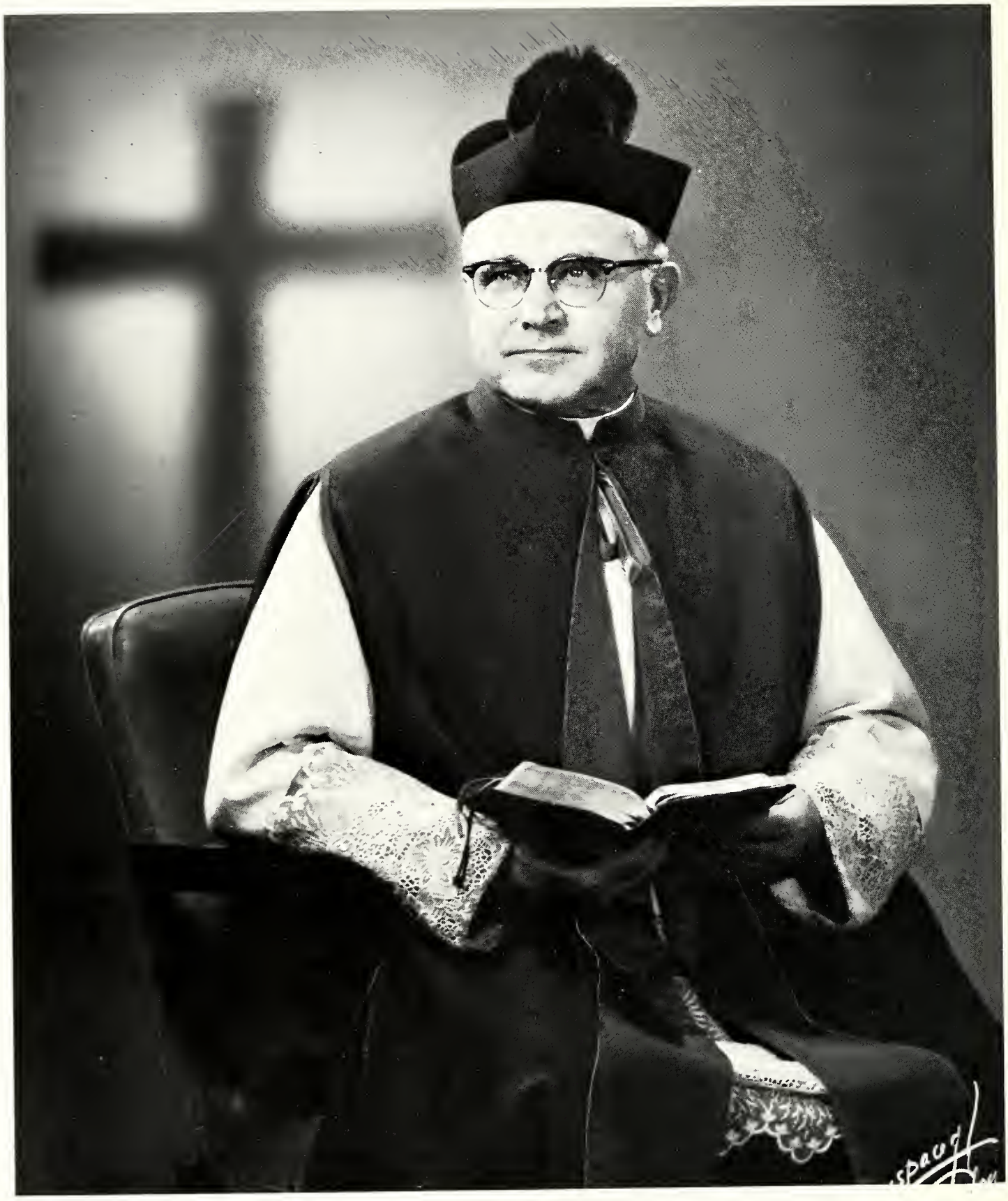
John Becker, 1967 class valedictorian, expresses the last sentiments of his class before they graduate.

Faculty and Administration



The key to our future is found in our faculty. Through their teaching and example, through their own personal experiences and philosophy, we, as students, have come to grow and mature intellectually, psychologically, socially, and spiritually. They have instructed us in a way of life, in a way that makes our future look bright and hopeful. They have unlocked the doors of knowledge for us, and through their efforts to aid us, we are better prepared to accept our responsibilities as the future citizens of tomorrow.

Decatur
Subject
World History
Civics
Home Economics
General Business
Typing
Personal Typing and Note Taking
Bookkeeping
Shorthand
Office Practice
Business English
Health and Safety
Band
Chorus
Algebra
Geometry
Adv. Algebra
Adv. Math



As dean of the Huntington deanery, pastor of Saint Mary's parish, and superintendent of our two Catholic schools, Monsignor Simeon Schmitt is a man who must "wear many hats." But of all the roles thus thrust upon him, undoubtedly the role which suits him best is that of his highest dignity, namely as a priest of God. Monsignor Schmitt is above all a priestly priest, one dedicated to the service of his God through sacrament and sacrifice. Through his zeal we have been afforded countless opportunities to enrich our spiritual life, to receive God and His blessings daily. On December 18, 1966, Monsignor Schmitt celebrated his fortieth anniversary of ordination to the priesthood. Our students wished him then, as we wish him now, "Ad multas annos!"

For the past four years, Sister Julienne has served the students at Decatur Catholic High School. She has willingly given her services to all who have sought them. Her office has been a familiar place to many students. Whether it was for discussing problems over grades or receiving guidance, the student was assured of a sympathetic ear and helpful suggestions.

The rapidly expanding student body has forced Sister Julienne to make many innovations. She has accomplished this skillfully with the good of the whole student body in mind.

Sister Julienne, though small in stature, has been great in influence among students. She will be remembered by many, not as our last principal, but as one of our best.

Sr. M. Amadea, C.S.A.

English II, III, IV
Senior Homeroom
Sodality

Sr. M. Angelina, C.S.A.

Music Appreciation

Spanish I, II

Mrs. Arribalzaga

Algebra I, II
Advanced Mathematics
Sophomore Homeroom

Mr. Black

Rev. Denis Blank

Religion III, IV
Athletic Director

Mr. Chuey

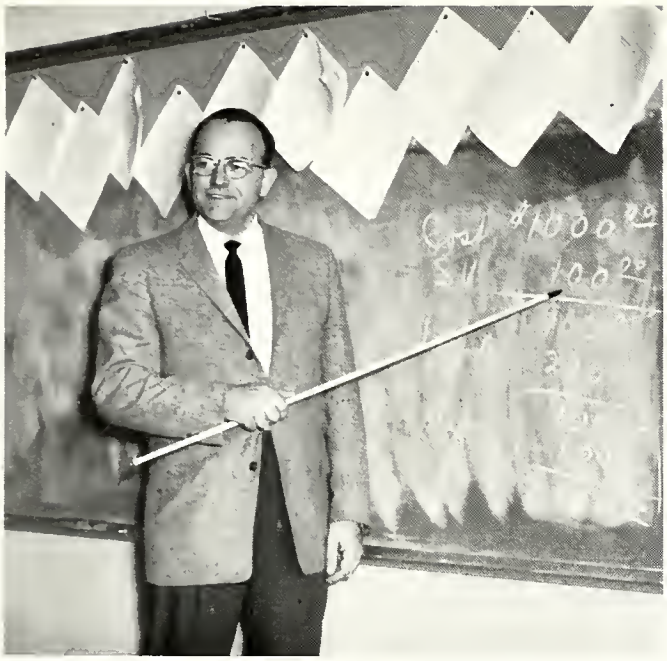
Health and Safety
Physical Education
World History
Senior Homeroom
Head Basketball Coach
Assistant Football Coach
Head Baseball Coach

Civics
Business English
U.S. History
Junior Homeroom
Yearbook
Speech and Drama Club
Student Council

Sr. M. Cordula, C.S.A.

Chemistry
Biology
Sophomore Homeroom
National Honor Society
Madonna Honor Club

Sr. M. Francis Regis, C.S.A.



Mr. Edward Heimann

Physical Science
Bookkeeping
Physics
Band
Chorus
Pep Band

Mrs. Miller

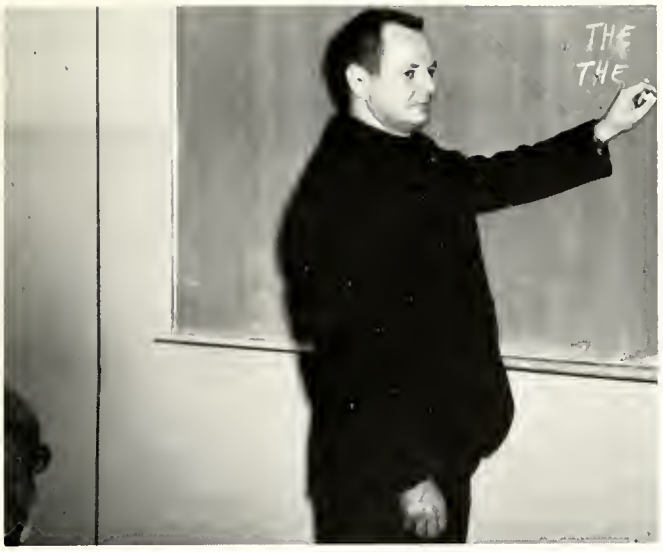
Developmental Reading
Health and Safety
Physical Education

Supplemental English
Developmental Reading
English I
Freshman Homeroom
Speech and Drama

Mr. Noll

Algebra II
Basic Mathematics
Home Economics
Junior Homeroom
High School Servers

Sr. M. Norberta, C.S.A.



Rev. Edward Paquette — Religion I, II
Assistant Athletic Director

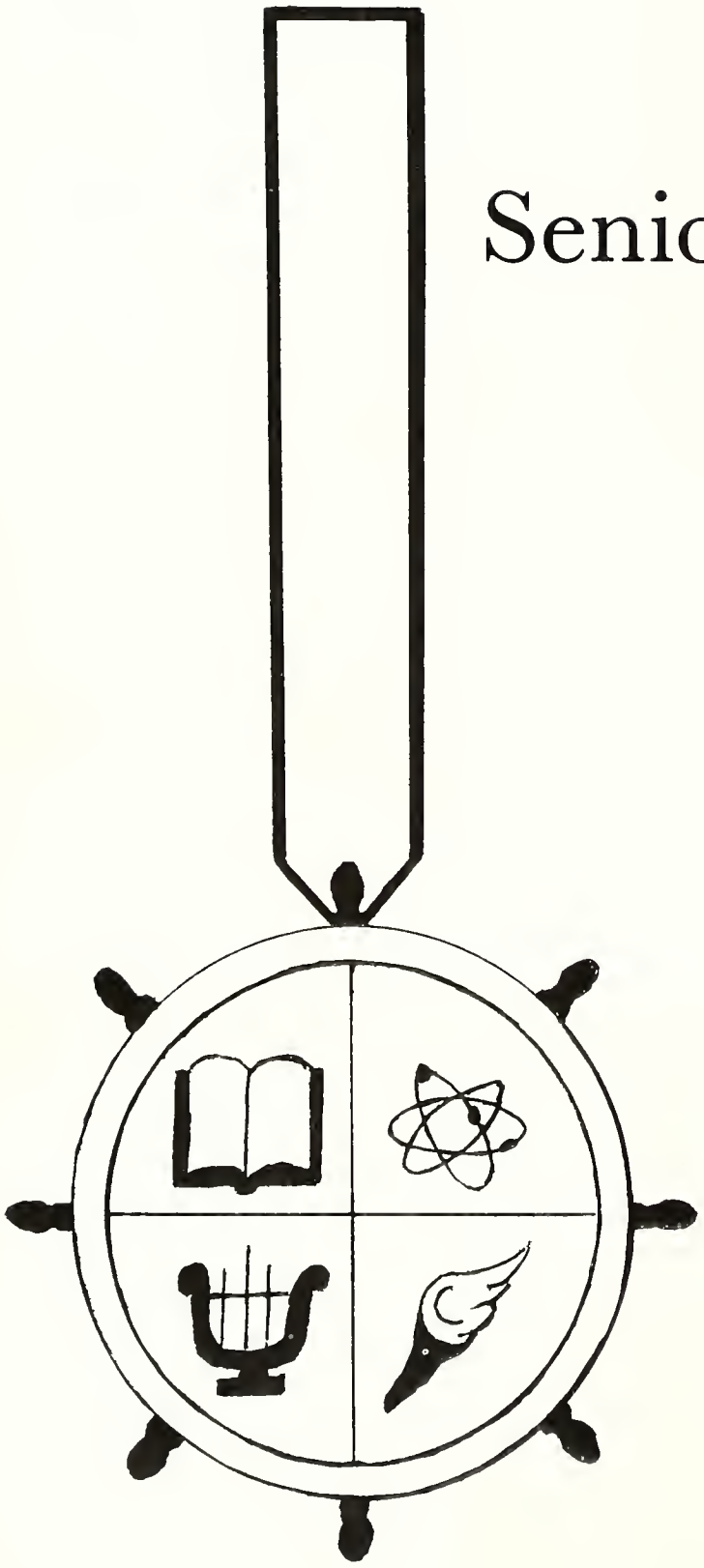
Sr. M. Petronilla, C.S.A. — Typing
Shorthand
Office Practice
Personal Typing and Notehand
Freshman Homeroom
Library
Library Guild

Mr. Yaney — U.S. History
Latin I, II

The faculty, students, and administration are cheerfully assisted in their work by Mrs. Kriegel.

Thanks to Mrs. Schmitt's serene competence, the bookkeeping work is always done, and school supplies made readily available.

Seniors



The seniors hold the key to the future in their hands. They now have to face the challenges that the world holds for them, and the goals which they have set for themselves. It is their responsibility to utilize the education they have received through their high school study. Pursuing education in college academics or in the school of life, each person must come to know that learning is a lifelong process. Each senior unlocks the door to the future, which he conceives as his way to self-achievement. Each individual realizes his responsibility to fulfill himself so that he may become a responsible young man or woman in the world which the adult must shape.

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1965-67

Sixty-six Seniors Are Surprised in Midyear To Find They Are Our Last Graduating Class

Sharon O'Shaugnessey
Sodality 2,3,4; Corresponding Secretary 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Class President 4; Secretary 3; Treasurer 1; Student Council 1,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Vice-President 3,4; Secretary 2; Treasurer 1; Chorus 1,2; Pep Band 4; President 4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Treasurer 3; Junior Heart Board 1,2; Yearbook Editor 4.

Jean Baker
Sodality 2,3,4; Prefect 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Vice-President 3; Class Vice-President 3,4; Treasurer 2; Student Council 2,4; Chorus 2,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Yearbook Staff 4.

John Becker
Sodality 2,3,4; Vice-Prefect 3; Commentator 3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Class President 1,2,3; Secretary 4; Student Council 1,2,3; Band 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 2,3,4; Yearbook Staff 3,4; Speech and Drama 2,3; Rifle Club 1,2,3.

Charlotte Laurent
Sodality 2,3,4; Madonna Honor Club 4; Class Treasurer 3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Yearbook Staff 4; Cheerleading 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 4.

Dave Alberding
Server 1,2; Basketball 1,2; Cross Country 1,2; Intramurals 2,3,4.

Mary Ann Alberding
Band 1,2,3; Pep Band 3; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Speech & Drama 3; Pep Club 1,2; Yearbook Staff 4; Volleyball 3.

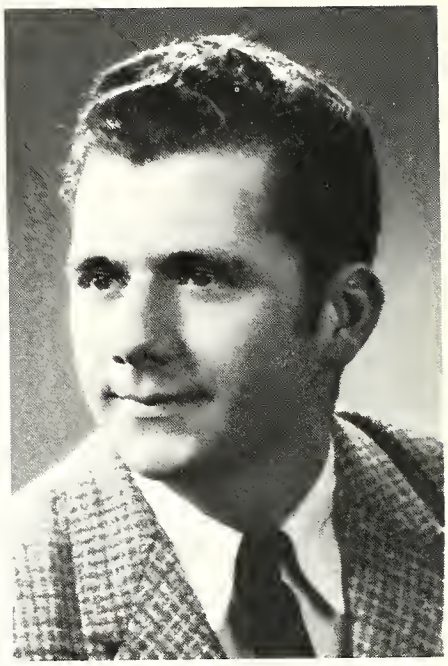
Gretchen Andrews
Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Speech & Drama 2,3,4; Junior Heart Board 1,2,3; Twirler 3.

Ronald Andrews
Server 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1; Cross Country 1,2,3; Basketball Student Manager 2,3.

Daniel Baker

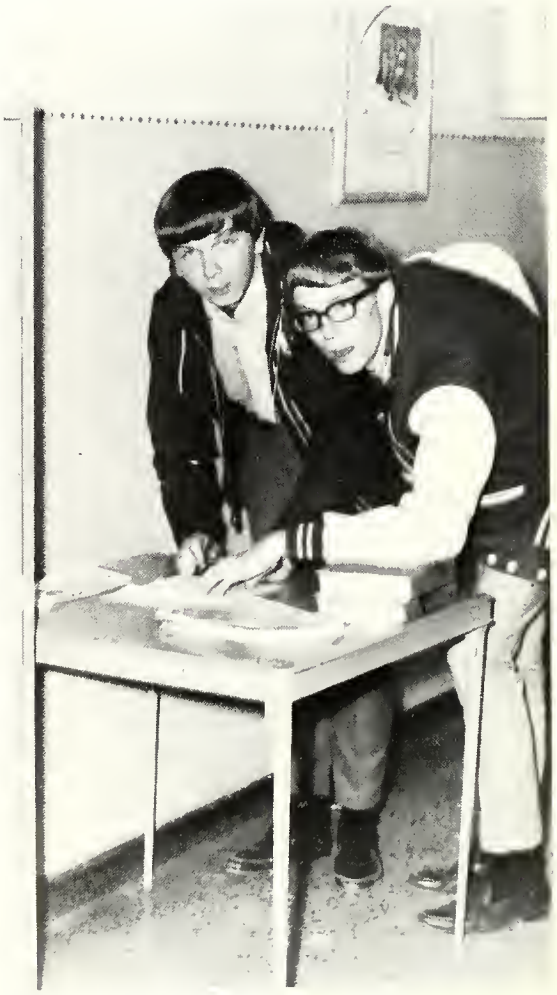
Joan Baker
Student Council 4; Secretary 4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Speech & Drama 2,3,4; President 4; Junior Heart Board 2; Cheerleader 2; Volleyball 4.

Michael Baker



Nancy Braun
Band 1,2,3; Chorus 1,2,3; Pep Club 4.

Patricia Braun
Chorus 3,4; Pep Club 1,2, 3,4.



You mean May is too late to fill out college application forms, they will be happy to take me.

Philip Braun
Server 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 1,2; Cross Country 1,2; Basketball 1,2; Intramurals 3,4.

Rosemary Clark
Band 1,2,3; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 3; Yearbook Staff 4; Junior Heart Board 1,2; Pep Club 2,3,4.

Brenda Cochran
Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 4.

Duck a little lower, Chip, and you'll have it made. Of course some people use study hall for study . . .

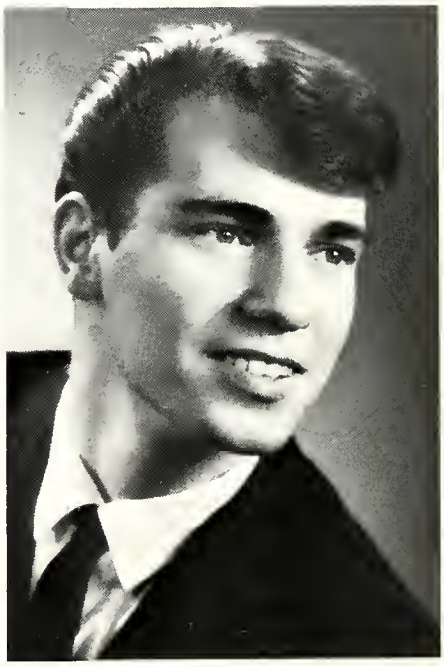
Dorothy Coyne
Chorus 3,4; Pep Club 2, 3,4.

Nancy Ehinger
Band 1,2; Chorus 1,2; Pep Club 1,2, 3; Speech & Drama 3,4; Yearbook Staff 4; Junior Heart Board 1,2,3.

Marta Faurote
Pep Club 2,3,4.

Ralph Geels

Don Geimer
Server 1,2,3,4; Chorus 4; Speech & Drama 4.



Kathleen Geimer
Student Council 4; Pep Club 1,2, 3,4; Vice-President 3; Speech & Drama 2,3,4; Volleyball 4.

John Gerber
Yearbook 4.

Barbara Grove
Sodality 2,3,4; Vice-Prefect 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Yearbook Staff 4; Co-editor 4.

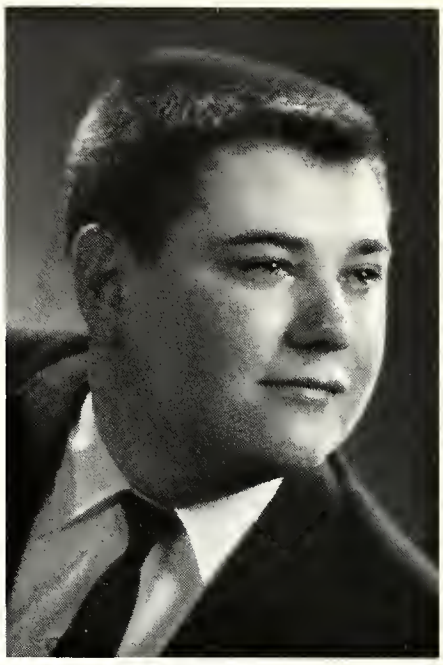
Dan Hake
Server 1; Student Council 1; Basketball 1; Pep Club 1; Intramurals 1,2.

John Heimann
Entered Sophomore Year; Server 2,3; Commentator 3; Band 2,3,4; Pep Band 3,4; Chorus 2,3,4; Speech & Drama 2; Yearbook Staff 4.

Nancy Heimann
Sodality 2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; President 4; Band 1,2, 3,4; President 3,4; Pep Band 3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Yearbook Staff 4.

Darlene Hurst
Pep Club 2,3,4; Yearbook Staff 4; Junior Heart Board 1,2.

Gerald Jackson
Server 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 4.



Daniel Kable
Server 1; Basketball 1,2, 3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Cross Country 1,2,3; Football 4; Intramurals 2,4.

Is the error that funny? Remember, Dave, Bluffton only has two f's not three.

Barbara Keller
Student Council 3,4; Treasurer 4; Pep Club 1, 2,3,4; President 3; Treasurer 4; Speech and Drama 2,3,4; Yearbook Staff 4; Junior Heart Board 1,2,3; Volleyball 4.

Hurry and wake up, Jeanine, or Colleen will do it for you.

Richard Kuhnle
Server 1,2; Pep Club 2,3; Rifle Club 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Cross Country 2,3; Intramurals 2,4.

Donald Lengerich
Organist 1,2,3,4; Commentator 2,3,4; Sodality 3,4; Treasurer 4; Server 1,2; National Honor Society 3,4; Vice-President 4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Yearbook Staff 4.

Linda Lengerich
Sodality 2,3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Yearbook Staff 4.

Mary Lou Lengerich
Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 4; Chorus 1,2,3,4.

Mary Lichtle
Pep Club 1,2,3,4.

Gregory Litchfield
Server 1; Student Council 3; Basketball 1,2; Baseball 1; Cross Country 1,2; Football 4; Intramurals 3,4.

Marjorie Loshe
Chorus 3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4.

Tom Lose
Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3, 4; Cross Country 1,2,3; Football 4.

Daniel Loshe

Larry McCullough

Michail McGill
Server 1; Basketball 1; Intramurals 1,2,3,4.

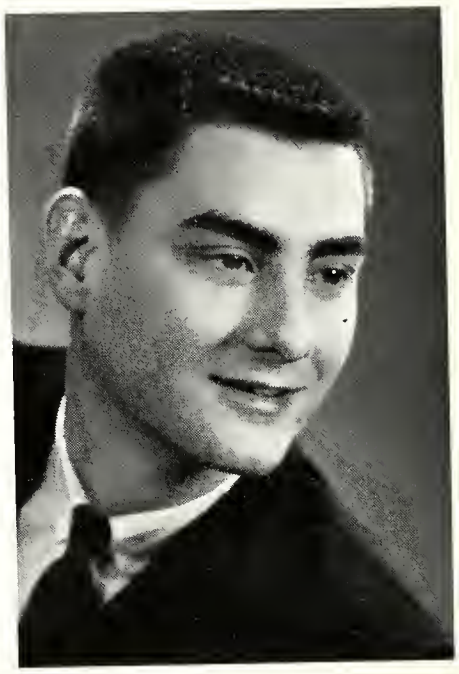
Gary Meyer

Colleen O'Shaughnessey
Sodality 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 3,4; Chorus 1,2; Pep Club 1, 2,3,4; Speech & Drama 3,4; Yearbook Staff 4.

Janet Rickord
Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Junior Heart Board 2; Rifle Club 2,3,4; Range Officer 2.

Peter Miller

Thomas Miller
Server 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Cross Country 1; Rifle Club 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 3,4.



Dave Peterson
Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Cross Country 1; Intramurals 3,4.

Patricia Rousseau
School Reporter 3,4; Pep Club 1,2, 3,4; Rifle Club 3,4; Range Officer 2.

Joel Salazar

Karen Schirack
Band 1; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Gold Teen Organization 3,4; Volleyball 3.

Barbara Schultz
Class Vice-President 2; Band 2,3; Pep Band 4; Chorus 1,2,3; Speech & Drama 3; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Junior Heart Board 2,3; Yearbook Staff 4; Volleyball 3,4.

John Schultz
Server 1,2; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,4; Cross Country 1,2; Football 4; Intramurals 2,3,4.

Thersa Schultz
Sodality 2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Secretary 3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Speech & Drama 3,4; Junior Heart Board 2,3; Yearbook Staff 4.

Gerald Omlor

Michael Meyer

Virginia Snyder
Chorus 3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4.

Mary Ann Spangler
Sodality 2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Treasurer 4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Speech & Drama 3; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Yearbook Staff 4.

Leo Schurger
Server 1; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Rifle Club 1,2; Intramurals 1,3.

Michael Ulman

Tom Vian
Server 1,2.

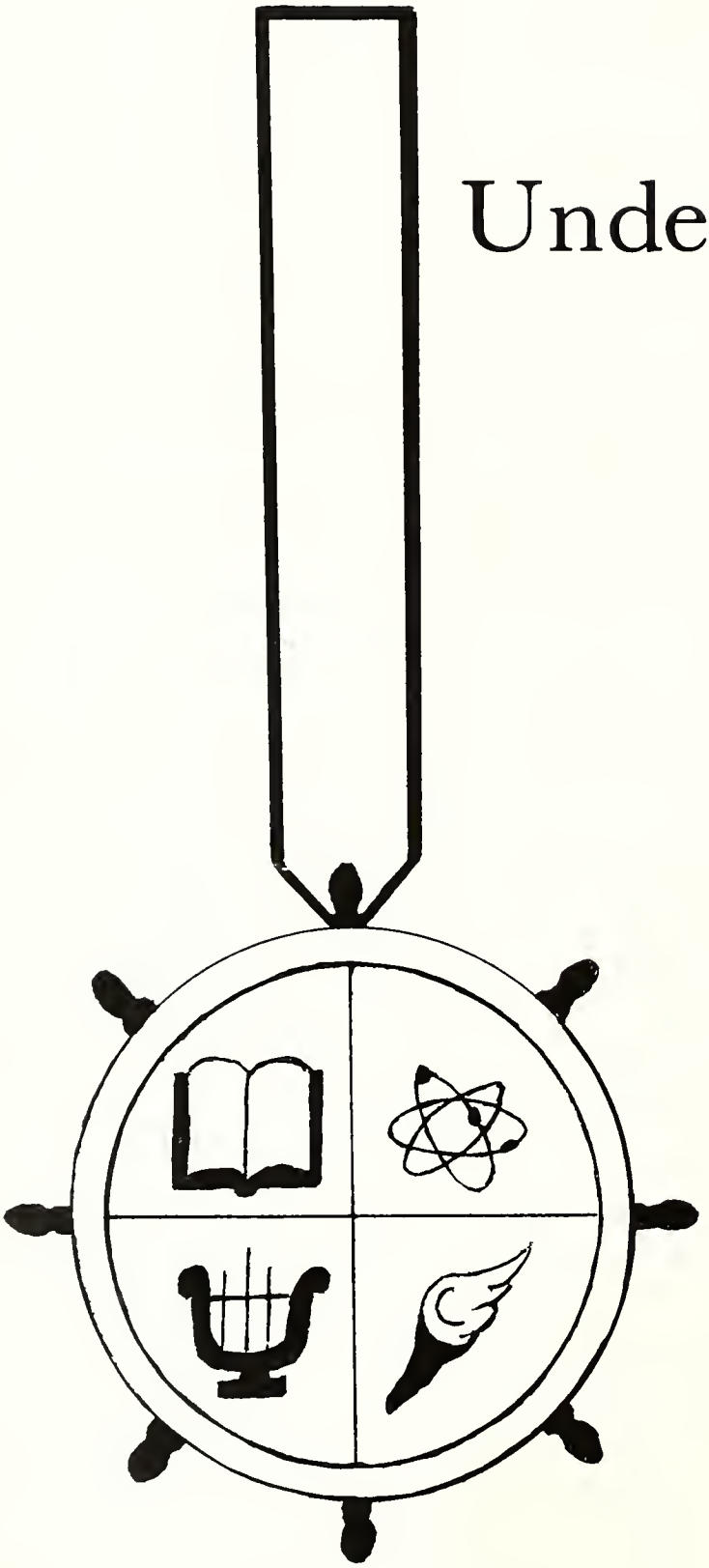
John P. Walsh
A.F.S. Foreign Exchange Student; Server 4; Baseball 4; Rifle Club 4; Intramurals 4.

Susan Walter
Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Junior Heart Board 1,2,3.

Jeanine Wilder
Chorus 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4.

Michael Wolpert
Server 1,2,3,4; Class Vice-President 2; Student Council 2; Band 2,3; Chorus 1,2; Rifle Club 1.

Underclassmen

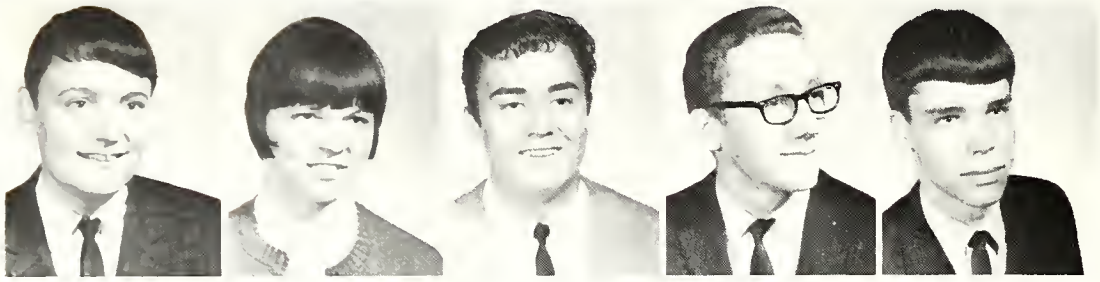


The underclassmen, armed with the key to learning and growing, prepared themselves for their future roles in life. They met the challenges of this year with enthusiam and a will for conquering them. They readily grasped each opportunity and new experience that was offered to them, and through these they developed and grew more mature youth.

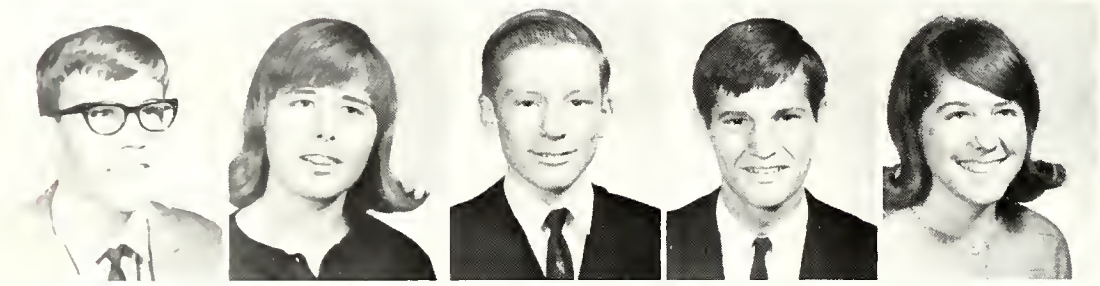
Class Officers

Juniors: TOP to BOTTOM: Pres. T. Lengerich, Vice Pres. J. Kohne, Sec. J. Boch, Treas. K. Laurent. Sophomores: Right to left; Pres. J. Wolpert, Vice Pres. M. Terveer, Sec. R. Massonne, Treas. J. Laurent. Freshmen: TOP to BOTTOM; Pres. S. Lengerich, Vice Pres. A. Becker, Sec. R. Braun, Treas. P. Rumschlag.

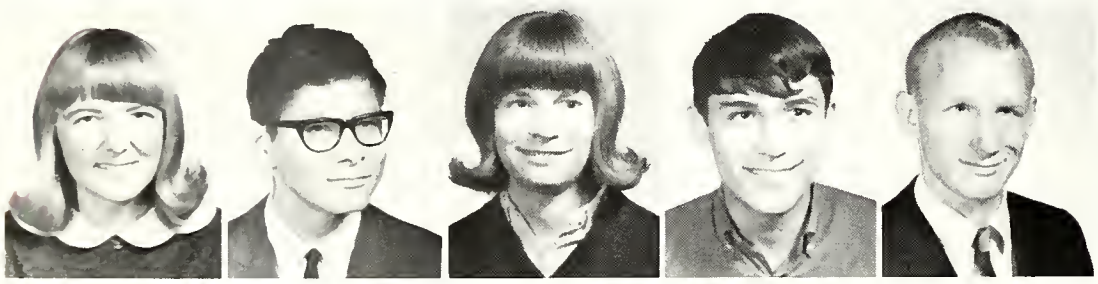
Juniors Have a Very Eventful Year



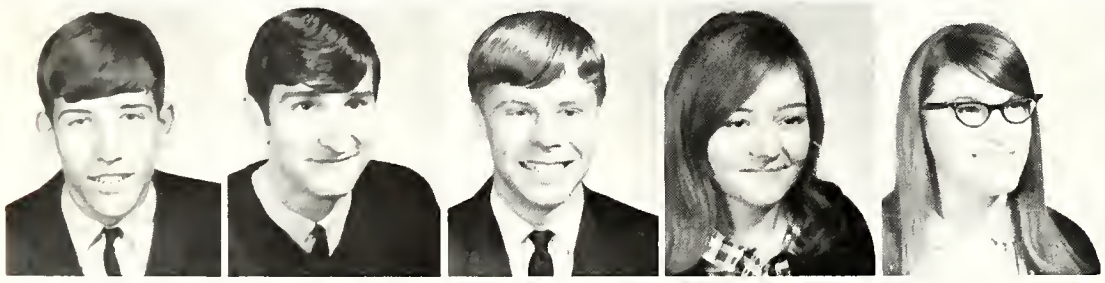
J. Alberding
M. Alberding
R. Arriaga
J. A. Baker
J. C. Baker



P. Baker
L. Becker
L. Bender
C. Bowers
J. Braun



V. Braun
D. Briones
M. Brite
R. Caciano
M. Colchin



C. Cook
C. Coy
M. Eller
L. Elzey
M. Fullenkamp

The final year at D.C.H.S. for the Juniors was a very eventful one. They started things rolling just before classes began by co-sponsoring a dance with the Seniors to raise football funds. Early in the year through a magazine drive they also raised enough money for the Junior-Senior Prom in May. December, too, saw the Juniors sponsoring a dance, this time to celebrate Christmas.

But fun and games gave way to more serious things, in November when the entire Junior class took the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test, and again in February when interested Juniors also took the National Merit Scholarship Test.

Now the Juniors have ended their stay at Decatur Catholic, sadly, perhaps, for they had hoped for just one more year; yet anxiously they await the coming of their term as Seniors.

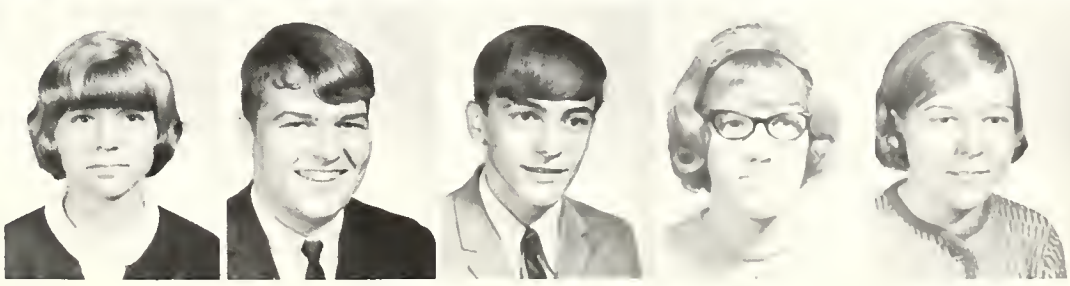
If she keeps eating potato chips she'll have enough energy to get the "mower" to the "hill."

"No, Charlie, Marie Antoinette didn't have her head chopped off because she had "Pediculosis."

G. Gase
D. Geimer
R. Geimer
C. Gerber
B. Gray

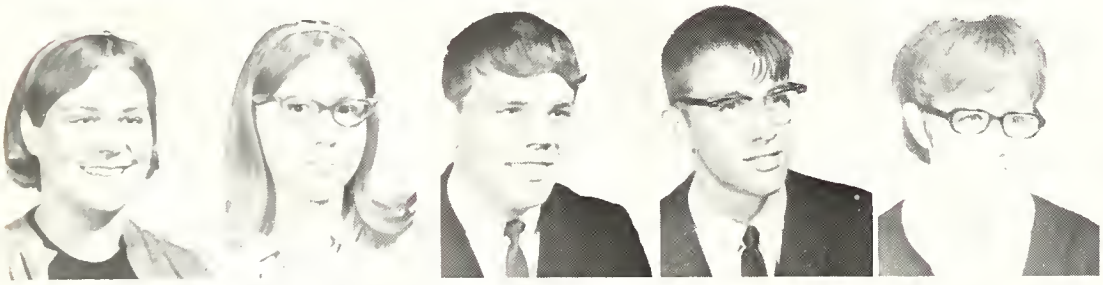
P. Gross
M. Grove
D. Hackman
G. Halikowski
J. Heimann

A. Kauffman
D. Kriegel
J. Krugh
J. Lengerich
K. Lengerich



Junior Girls' Religion Class, Room 3: "Are those windows NAILED down?"

"Hey Fellas! What happened? This is only water. Where's the Big D?"



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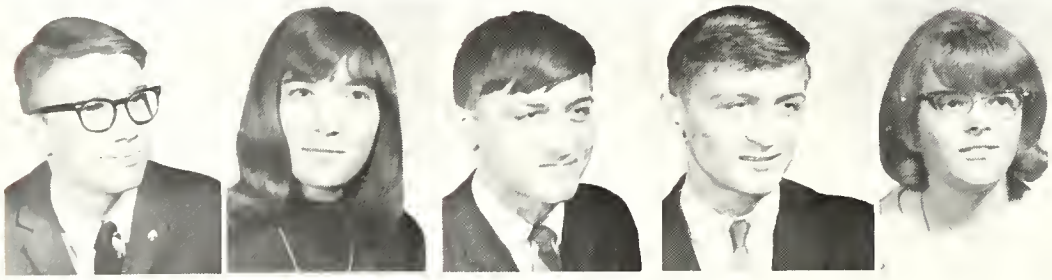
P. R. Loshe
P. McBride



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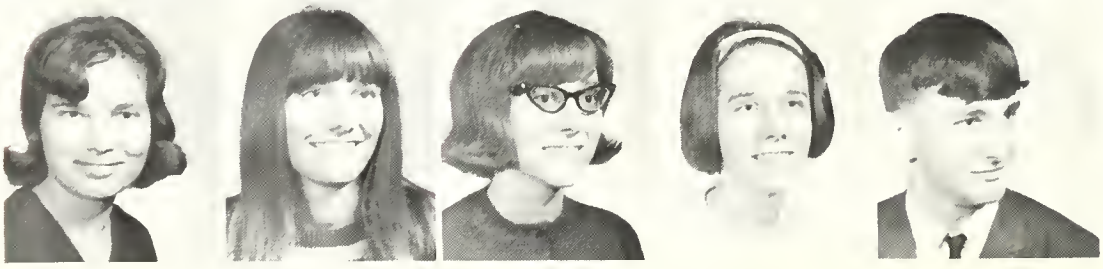
James Miller
Jerome Miller
P. Miller



R. Miller
C. Mowery
N. Myers
S. Reber
B. Reynolds

K. Rumschlag
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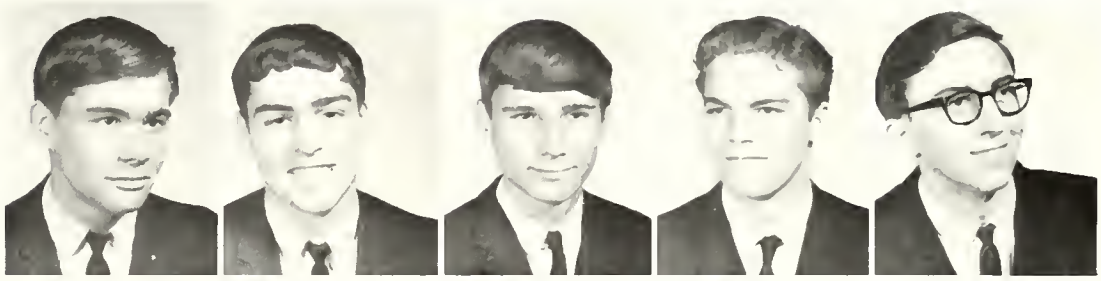
S. Straub
D. Tricker



R. Villagomes
J. Whitright

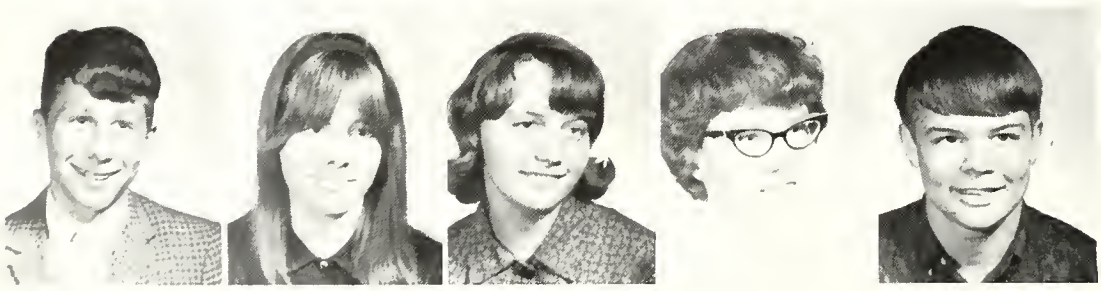
Juniors Charlie Cook, George Halikowski, and Pat E. Loshe work on favorite pastime colls!

Sophomores Take the Pause That Refreshes.

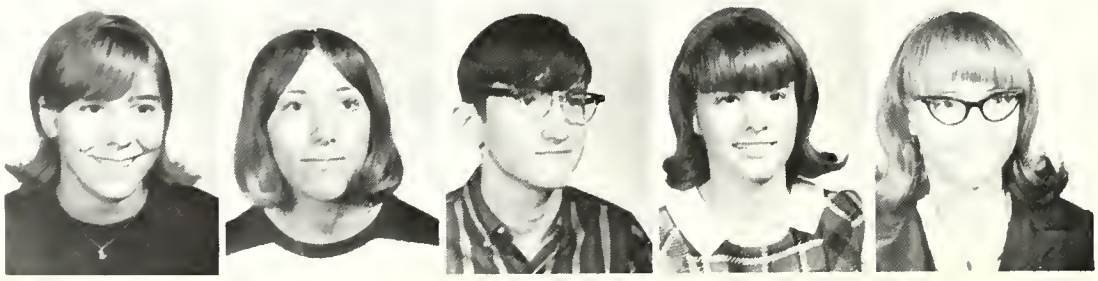
The Sophomore year may have been for many--not just Linda, Tom, and Jim--the pause that refreshes. Our second-year students relaxed as they cleared the hurdles of the first year's adjustments and settled down to a comfortable pace in the race for grades. In February the Sophomores took the Iowa Test of Educational Development which took two full days to complete and will help to get them ready for the college preparatory tests they may take as Juniors and Seniors.

Each class has its moments but the biggest event of the year came in March for the Sophomores when they received their rings with the traditional eagerness and pride. For the Sophomores these rings will serve as a memento of their two short years at Decatur Catholic High School.

D. Alberding
S. Andrews
E. Baker
T. Bolinger
Ted Braun



Tom Braun
V. Braun
T. Brown
J. Carll
M. Carroll

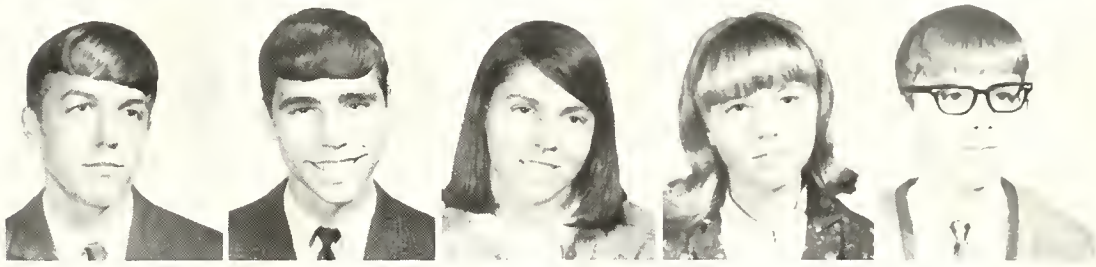


D. Cochran
M. Cook
P. Coy
C. Fairchild
B. Feasel

M. Gage
S. Gage
M. Gase
S. Gase
M. Geels

C. Geeting
D. Geimer
L. Geimer
R. Geimer
S. Gerber

J. Hackman
S. Hackman
J. Hake
K. Hakes
J. Hammond



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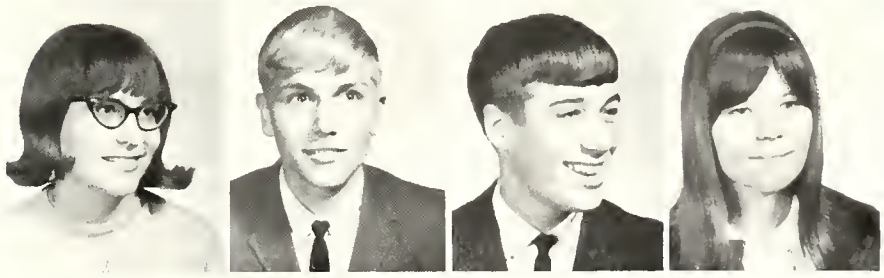
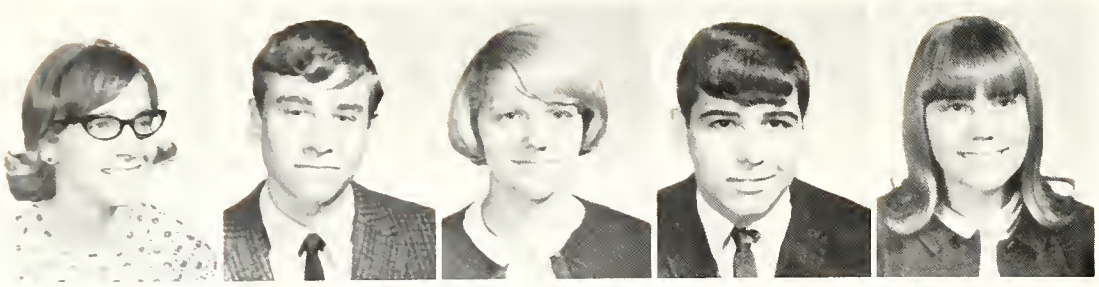


"Your ring is very nice, but I still think mine is nicer!"

"I wonder how long it's going to take him to notice that I have my hat on; my head is getting hot."



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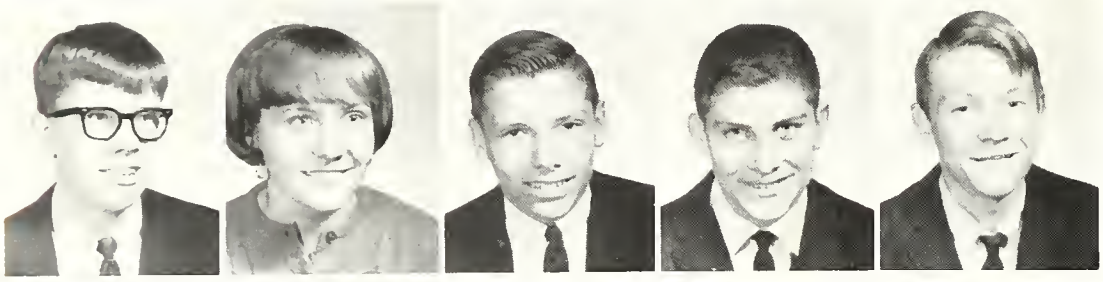
N. Hess
D. Hurst
J. Inskeep
J. Keller



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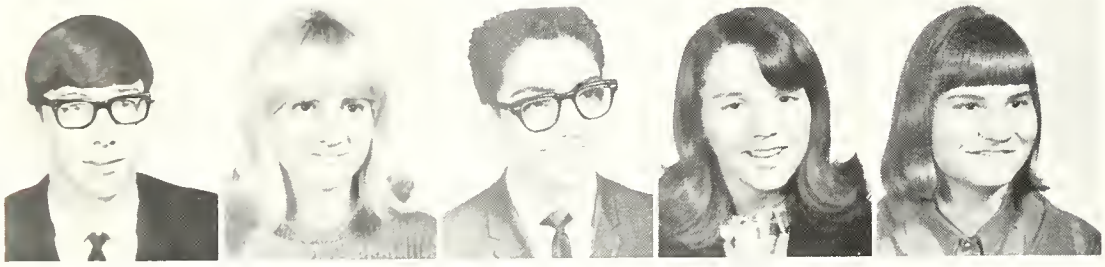
C. Majorki



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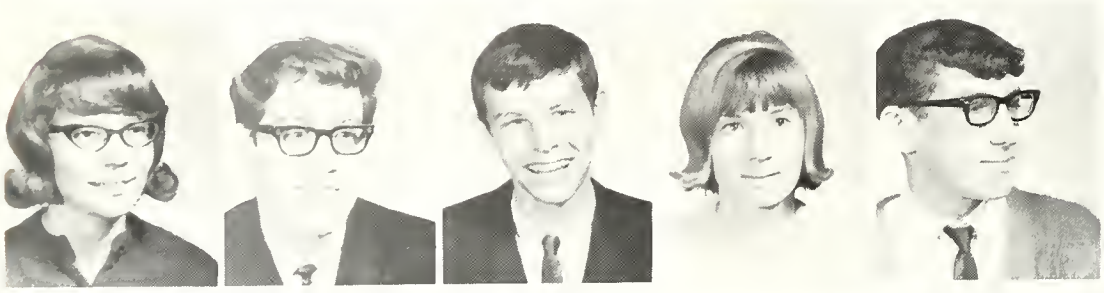
M. McDonald
P. Mendez
C. Mies
D. Miller



S. Miller
D. Mills
W. Mowery
M. Peterson
D. Pierce

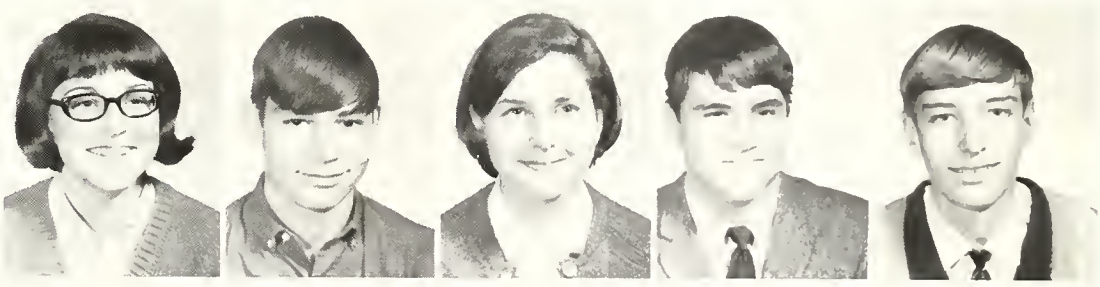
Captain Paul Mendez asks book panel members Jane Keller, Rosie Razo, Sam Hackman, and Tom Schurger the most important question: "Okay you guys, who read the book?"

The Terveer team: while Liz plays, Mike studies hard.

A. Ranly
J. Rauch
R. Razo

M. Reynolds
J. Rousseau
C. Rumschlag
Cathy Schultz
Chris Schultz

P. Schultz
T. Schultz
S. Schurger
T. Schurger
G. Sharp



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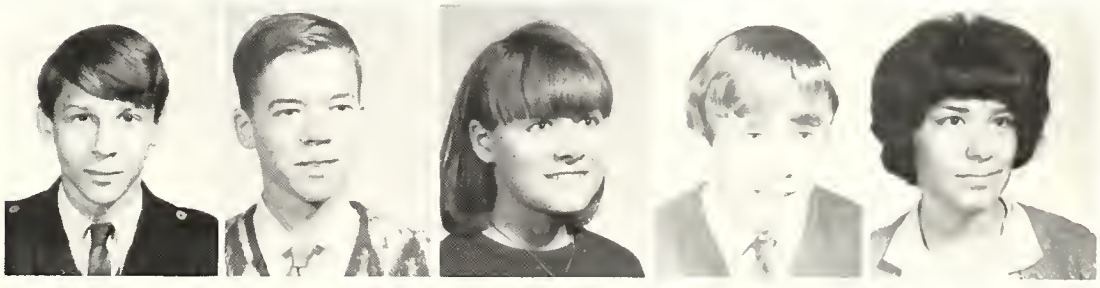
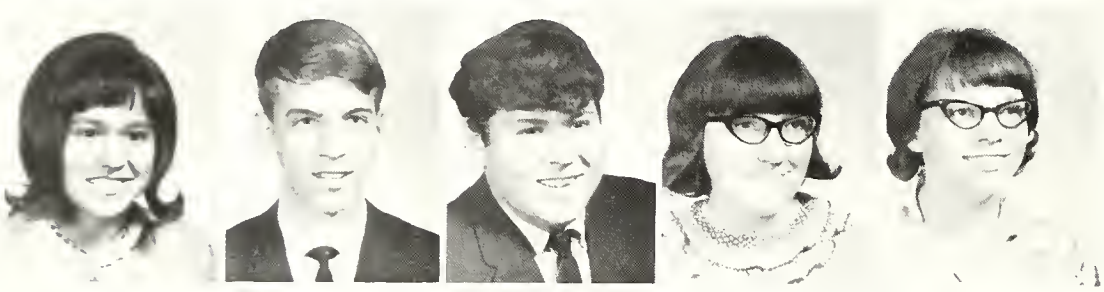
J. Staub
K. Stetler
W. Stetler
M. Sema



L. Terveer
D. Tester
L. VanPoppel
J. Wolpert

Freshmen Adapt Quickly to High School Life



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J. Baker
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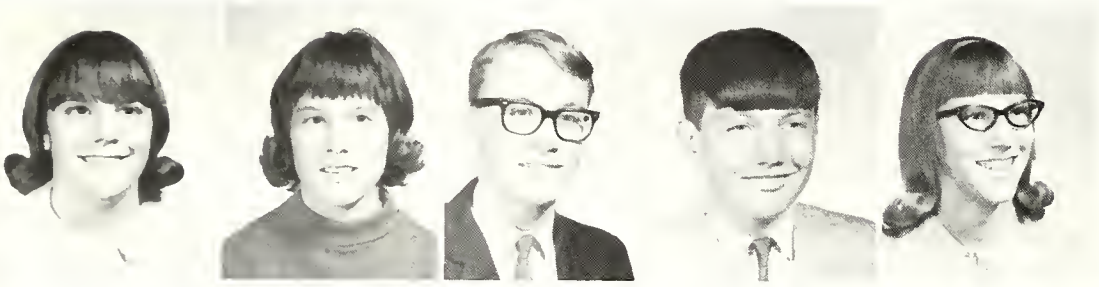


S. Baker
B. Braun
D. Braun
M. Brown
L. Butler

When sister Angelina asks what they think of Beethoven, freshman boys pass the buck.

"All wet" is Kevin O'Shaughnessey's opinion of car-washing, not music appreciation!

The fifty-six newcomers at DCHS adapted quickly to the daily routine of classes. Actually this year's Freshmen weren't as "green" as those of previous year; during the summer they showed their spirit by sponsoring a car wash to raise football funds, which coaxed the other classes into similar action.

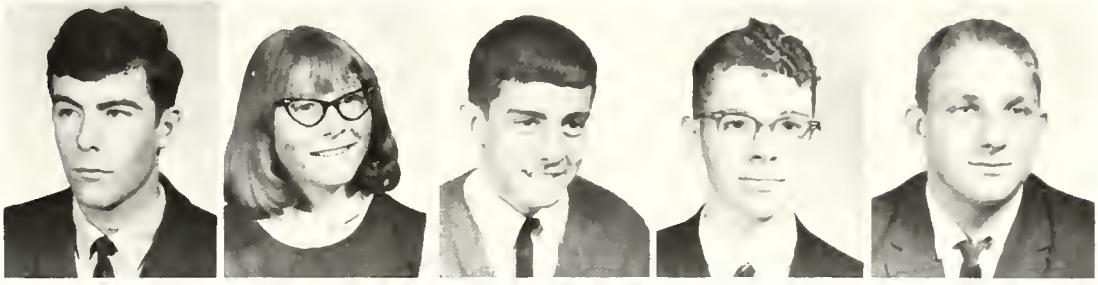
Then after classes began, the Freshmen were "initiated" by the Seniors at the "Welcome Dance" in September. At their initiation groups of Freshmen performed skits for the amusement of the Seniors and all present.

A year couldn't pass without some special test and the Freshmen had theirs in March when they took the Differential Achievement Test.

Now that the Freshmen have finished their first year of high school they won't have to worry about Senior harassment any longer!

P. Carll
R. Colchin
G. Cook
E. Eichhorn

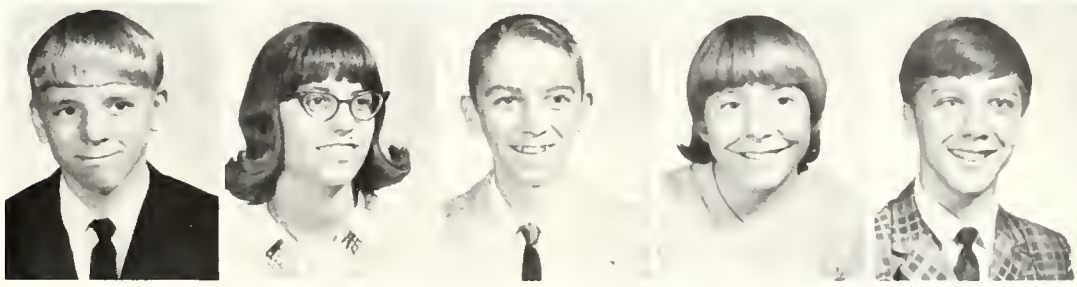
G. Foos
S. Gage
D. Geimer
J. Goebel
H. Gray



Ron Kuhnle doesn't look very peppy . . .

But maybe Sandy will give him some of her lollipop!

G. Grove
A. Hackman
B. Hackman
S. Hake
L. Heimann



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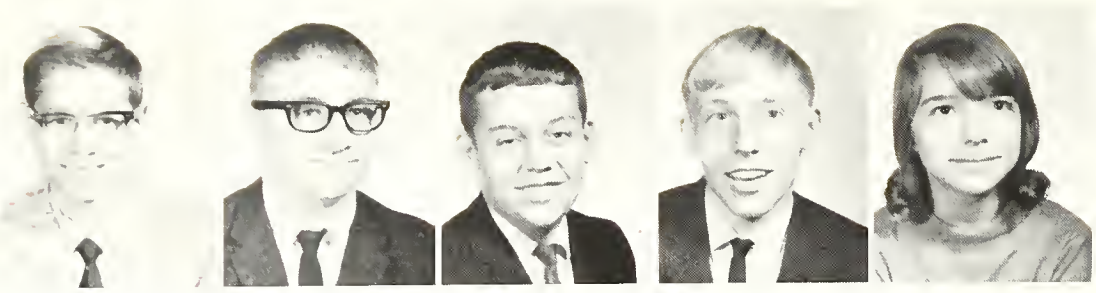
P. Jesionowski
S. Kohne



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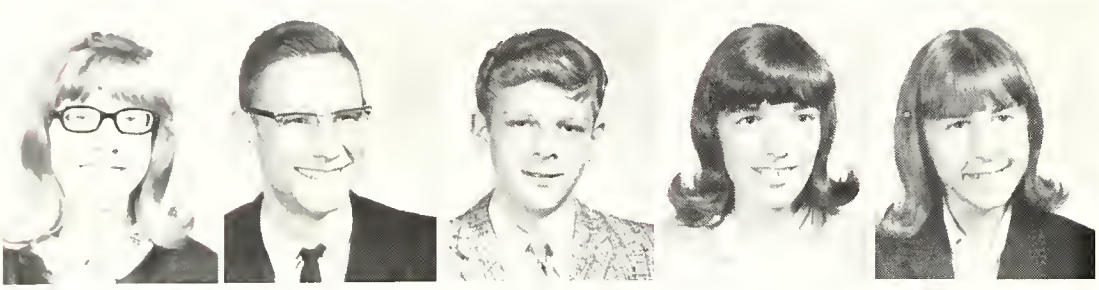

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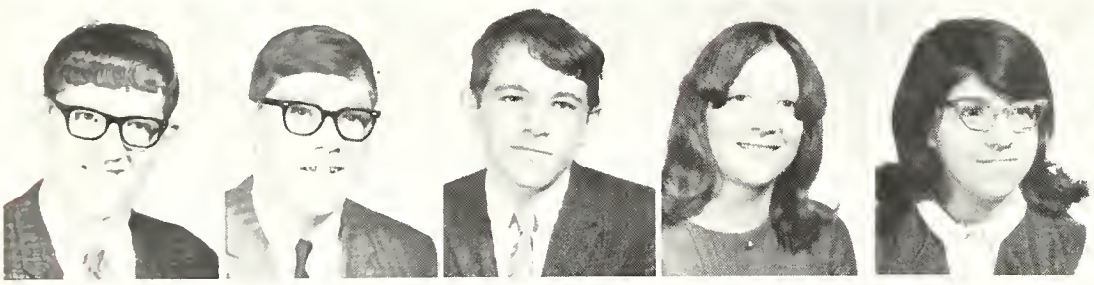
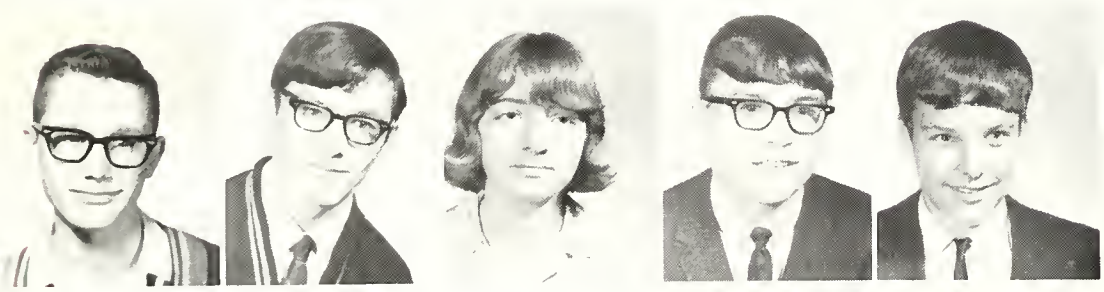
M. McBride
D. Miller
E. Miller
P. Murphy



T. Niblick
K. O'Shaughnessey
T. Picillo
M. Ranly
G. Razo



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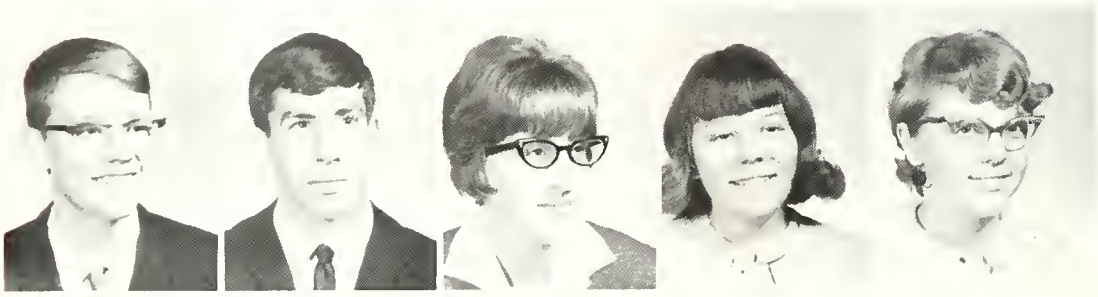
Z. Rousseau
S. Rumschlag
F. Schultz
D. Schurger



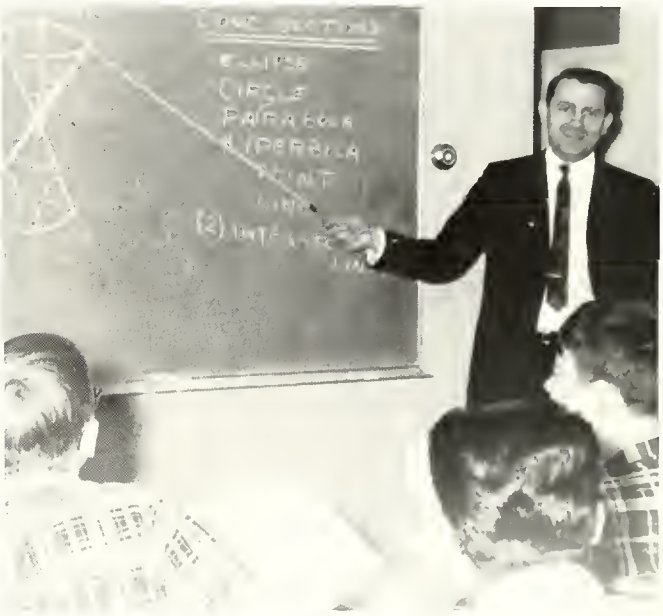
J. Synder
G. Ulman
S. Ulman
J. Wolpert
L. Wolpert

The freshman girls--at least T. Loshe, G. Razo, L. Wolpert, and L. Heimann--Don't seem to mind registration; but what about the boys? Ron, Gary, and Myron, who's going to be first?

Underclassmen Have Been "Happy Together"

Junior Phyllis McBride autographs Freshman Eileen Eichhorn's cast as Ruth Baker looks on. Eileen's was one of many casts seen around D.C.H.S. this year.

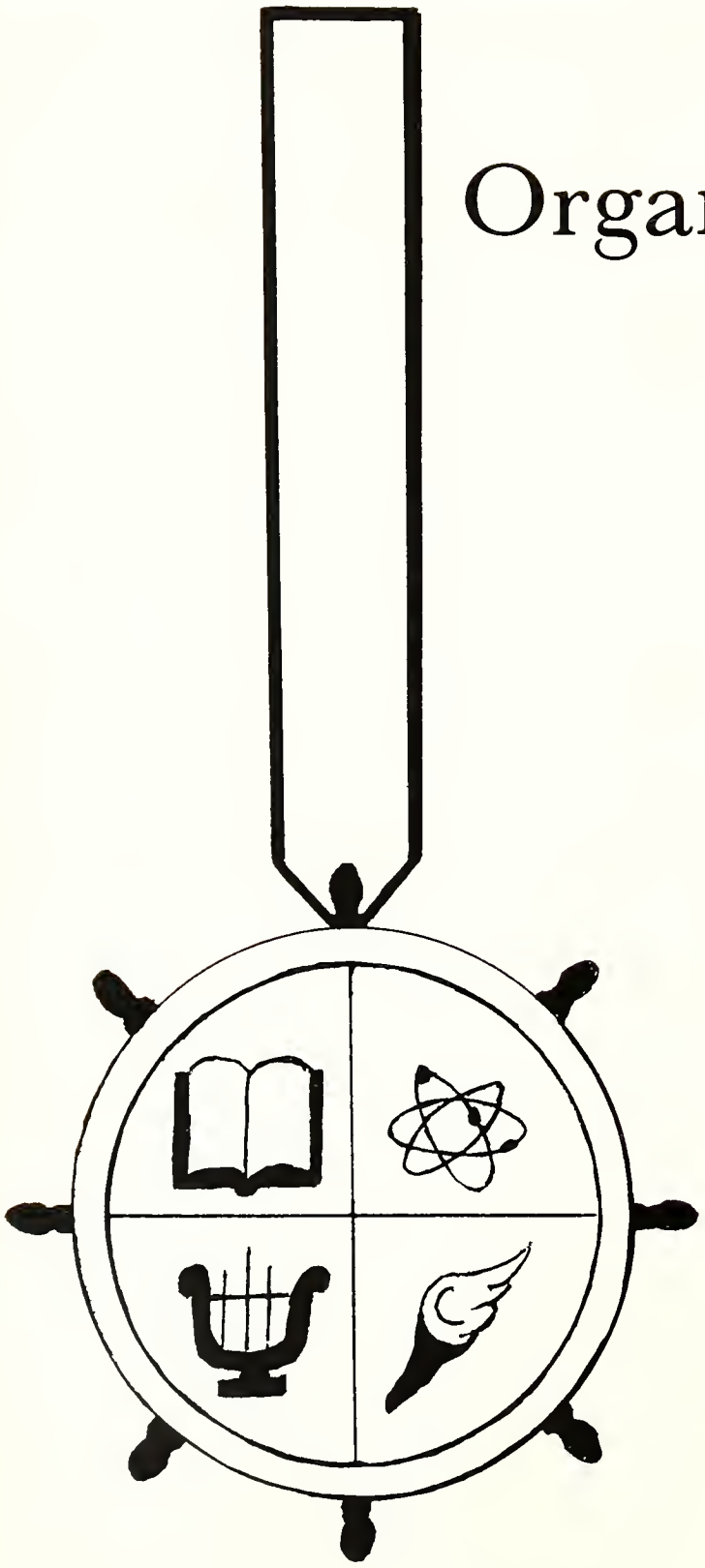
"Mr. Black," says J. Rauch, P. Mendex, D. Tester: "It's the DIAGRAM you're supposed to be admiring, not the new pointer!"



"Whaddaya meen, do I no how to spel it?" syas our own Charlie Brown.

"Just think, my group had 33% few cavities!" . . . Or did Sandy and Carolyn win the Volleyball game?

Organizations



A key to our future is found in our organizations. They provide the students with the opportunity to develop themselves more fully and cultivate new ideas. They learn to cooperate with one another and to reach a common goal. Through participation in these organizations school spirit and student relations are strengthened. Students taking part in extra-curricular activities have been instilled with self-confidence and are better prepared to face the adult world.

TATTLER

FRONT ROW: T. Schultz, C. Laurent, M. Eller. ROW 2: M. Heimann, M. Spangler, L. Lengerich, C. O'Shaughnessey, M. Heimann. ROW 3: M. Cochin, S. Schurger, V. Braun, J. Kohne. ROW 4: E. Baker, C. Majorki, M. Reynolds, C. Schultz, P. Schultz. ROW 5: J. Baker, L. Becker, B. Grove, S. O'Shaughnessey, D. Lengerich.

Sodality Proves a Spiritual Life Overflows into Action

Father Blank congratulates new Sodality members and offers them encouragement in the fulfillment of their responsibilities.

That very human yet completely dedicated girl of long ago, Mary the Mother of Jesus, is the example for Sodalists striving to commit themselves to their God and their neighbor. Both the spirituality and the awareness of others requisite for they like Christ can learn from his mother.

In keeping with this spirit the Sodalists again this year made Christmas baskets for the less fortunate. In early Fall members of the Sodality also visited the migrant workers.

In order to prepare for the year's program, five members of the Sodality spent one week at The Summer School of the Sodality Apostolate in Chicago, a most profitable experience.

Officers

Pref.	J. Baker
V. Pref.	B. Grove
Sec.	L. Becker
Cor. Sec.	S. O'Shaughnessey
Treas.	D. Lengerich

Honor Groups Add to Scholarship a Concern for Realities

FRONT ROW: C. Gerber, A. Kauffman, M. Brite, B. Gray, D. Hackman, ROW 2: B. Lose, M. Alberding, G. Gase, L. Becker, N. Heimann, M. Spangler, J. Baker, T. Schultz. ROW 3: K. Lengerich, P. Miller, P. McBride, R. Miller, M. Colchin, T. Lengerich, S. Rumschlag, D. Lengerich, K. Laurent, B. Grove, S. O'Shaughnessey, E. Schultz, Sr. M. Francis Regis, C.S.A.

Eighteen juniors were inducted this year into the National Honor Society. These students had excelled in service, scholarship, character, and leadership. Showing an awareness of their responsibility for the needs of others, they included among their projects writing letters to servicemen in Viet Nam and remembering shut-ins with birthday cards. A sense of the duties attendant upon talent has been developed, and an initiative to excell has been stimulated.

OFFICERS

Pres.	N. Heimann
V. Pres.	D. Lengerich
Sec.	T. Schultz
Treas.	M. Spangler

Modanna Club: Sr. Francis Regis, J. Lengerich, C. Laurent, J. Schultz, J. Braun, M. Eller.

The Last Issue of the Tattler Goes to Press Among

Editorial Staff: SEATED: S. O'Shaughnessey, B. Grove. ROW 2: J. Kohne, M. Alberding, T. Schultz, J. Baker, K. Laurent, Sr. M. Cordula.

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Copyist	J. Kohne, M. Alberding, K. Laurent
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If Nancy has THAT wide a grin, it can only be because she has finished that worksheet in front of her which is known as a 3R layout form, and to yearbook staffers, it has nothing to do with rest, relaxation, or recreation--just worrrk (of course, looking at all those lovely senior portraits is quite pleasant, isn't it Nancy?)

Fond Memories, Deep Sentiment, and Much Effort.

Departments: FRONT ROW: N. Heimann, C. Laurent, D. Hurst, R. Clark, N. Ehinger, L. Lengerich. ROW 2: J. Heimann, J. Gerber, D. Lengerich, C. O'Shaughnessey, M. Spangler, B. Schultz.

Tattler Staff

A yearbook means many things to many people, but to our staff it has represented not only long hours of toil and anxiety but also countless opportunities for creativity and the rewards of knowing that the fruits of that creativity will last long years in the homes of our classmates. This has meant soliciting ads, sponsoring dances, designing lay-out, writing copy, and spending nights at school in a desperate attempt to beat oncoming deadlines.

As the last yearbook staff at Decatur Catholic, we have tried our best to capture the events that will create nostalgic memories for the future. Proudly we submit our yearbook to you with the hope that, as you turn its pages many years hence, you will agree we have captured the key to that distant time.

ABOVE, as she receives some helpful advice from yearbook representative Jim Arthur, Sharon looks scared as a mouse; BELOW, as if she just ate one: the ups and downs of producing a TATTLER!

Typists: CLOCKWISE: M. A. Alberding, B. Keller, B. Cochran, J. Baker, K. Geimer, G. Andrews, M. Faurote, S. Walter.

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Speech Club Works Hard to Create a Realistic Atmosphere

They can laugh now, but just wait till opening night! They'll all be scared stiff!

Learning to speak and act can be fun, and not just for the spectators, as many DCHS students discovered this year. Much enjoyment resulted from this phase of education when the speech club successfully presented the play "Christman at Checkpoint Charlie" under the splendid direction of Mr. John Noll.

The members of the Speech and Drama Club learned that not all the work of a play is done by the participating actors. Without the help of our willing and able stage crew, our capable make-up-artists, and our knowledgeable lighting engineers, we could never have achieved the realistic effect of the Berlin Wall.

FRONT ROW: A. Becker, S. Schurger, K. Lengerich, J. Braun, E. Miller, ROW 2: E. Heimann, S. O'Shaughnessey, M. Lengerich, M. Eller, V. Braun, L. Becker. ROW 3: P. Rumschlag, B. Braun.

Pep Band Raises Spirit As Fans Prepare for Exciting Game

At every home ballgame, both football and basketball, you could find entertainment by the newly formed Pep Band.

This branch of the DCHS Music Department was formed at the end of the past school year by Mr. Edward Heimann, the director. They had weekly practices through the summer, and on Wednesday evenings after school started in order to prepare for up-coming ballgames.

These young musicians picked red blazers as their uniforms. They made their debut early in the fall when they participated in a concert along with the regular band. They specialized in modern, up-to-date music and are certainly a great credit to DCHS.

OFFICERS

Pres.	S. O'Shaughnessey
V. Pres.	L. Becker
Sec., Treas.	M. Lengerich

"Hail, Hail, the Gang's All Here" plays the pep band at one of our home football games.

Tom's man-size job and the percussion section provide us that rhythm!

Mr. Heimann and his expert flute section give the classics their due.

Woodwinds add sweet melodic tones to balance the raucous but popular brass.

The Trumpet section with J. Heimann, M. L. Lengerich, and K. O'Shaughnessey seems to be concentrating very hard.

FRONT ROW: M. Edward Heimann, J. Miller, E. Geels, P. Schurger, J. Braun, R. Miller, Jolynn Girard, P. Becker, Jean Girard. ROW 2: A. Becker, P. Yost, D. Eckrote, M. Eller, C. O'Shaughnessey, C. Ulman, P. Heimann, J. Becker. ROW 3: S. Schurger, M. Brite, E. Geels, C. O'Shaughnessey, T. Heimann, V. Braun. ROW 4: J. Geimer, J. Heimann, C. Schultz, Y. Smith, J. Heimann, V. Lengerich, H. Rumschlag, B. Braun. ROW 5: M. Ehinger, S. O'Shaughnessey, L. Becker, K. Lengerich, J. Heimann, K. O'Shaughnessey, P. Rumschlag.

The tempo never slackens with the D.C.H.S. Band. Every Tuesday and Thursday, the Band gets in tune. It prepares stirring marches and soft tunes that can carry you to different and faraway places. Or, if you like, you can stay right in the United States with western ballads and folk songs.

Last summer the Band went to Lake Wawasee for a band work-shop week. Here they mixed fun with learning. In the learning department, they were taught how to care for their instruments, and also, new marching techniques.

The Band members displayed their musical talents at a well-received concert.

OFFICERS

Pres.	N. Heimann
V. Pres.	S. O'Shaughnessey
Sec., Treas.	M. Brite

The Songs the Ch

M. A. Spangler and C. Schultz practice singing "Around the World" with the hope of making the trip sometime.

Mr. Ed. Heimann, chorus instructor, looks pleased with the sounds of his choral group. Many hours of practice produce enjoyable concerts for the public.

Did that funny cracking noise belong in the song or do you suppose the fact that John Becker is sitting on the piano had anything to do with it?

rus Sings Transport You to Different Lands and Moods

Music, the universal language of the entire world is kept alive at Decatur Catholic by Mr. Ed Heimann and his lively Chorus. Every Monday and Friday morning, if you listen hard you will hear music from the Chorus members harmonizing in gay tunes, as the perfect songs of our day and of the past for the upcoming concerts. The Chorus performs at the Christmas and Spring concerts. It is also a common practice for the chorus to entertain the Rosary Society in the Spring.

Every morning at the eight-thirty mass the Decatur Catholic chorus shows its more serious side as it leads the rest of the student body in hymns of adoration.

Belonging to the chorus you learn how to project your voice across an audience while retaining a musical quality. Chorus members learn the pronunciation of words is a most important part of singing. The Chorus gave you many opportunities to learn songs that are filled with meaning and memories of different and far-away places. Some of the songs though are distinctly and delightfully American.

FRONT ROW: Mr. Ed Heimann, W. Heimann, P. Rumschlag, D. Geimer, M. Spangler, N. Meyers, L. Heimann, A. Becker, P. Miller, J. Braun, S. Reber, G. Gase. ROW 2: M. Eller, D. Rumschlag, D. Lengerich, C. Rumschlag, R. Colchin, P. Braun, S. Ulman, ROW 3: M. Colchin, T. Lengerich, R. Clark, M. Alberding, N. Heimann, C. Schultz, M. Brite, C. Mowery, L. Elzey, V. Synder, A. Ranly, J. Carll, M. Lengerich, J. Wilder, K. Stetler, M. Loshe, D. Coyne, L. Becker.

The Student Council Gives the Students

FRONT ROW: S. Lengerich, J. Inskeep, J. Wolpert, R. Massonne, K. Laurent, J. Kohne, T. Lengerich. ROW 2: S. Kohne, E. Eichhorn, B. Keller, Joan Baker, G. Gase, J. Boch, Jean Baker, S. O'Shaughnessey, K. Geimer.

Pres.	J. Boch	Rm. 4 rep.	K. Laurent
V. Pres.	G. Gase	Rm. 5 rep.	J. Kohne
Sec.	J. Baker	Pres. Jr.	T. Lengerich
Treas.	B. Keller	Rm. 7 rep.	S. Kohne
Pres. Fresh.	S. Lengerich	Rm. 8 rep.	E. Eichron
Rm. 1 rep.	J. Inskeep	Rm. 3 rep.	J. Baker
Pres. Soph.	J. Wolpert	Pres. Sr.	S. O'Shaughnessey
Rm. 6 rep.	R. Massonne	Rm. 2 rep.	K. Geimer

Spirited campaigning marked the Student Council elections last Fall. Bright posters plastered everywhere were signs of the nearing battle. Managers and candidates spoke on qualifications and various plans for action as officers of the Student Council.

Immediately after the elections our new Student Council assumed its role as governmental body. Carefully they composed a schedule of events for the year, which included dances, assemblies, and a CPS week at Sectional time.

Two new ideas they put into effect the Student Court and a Student Award System. This year the Student Court consists of six elected members, who act as judges of the accused. They were to dole out punishment for an offense in proportion to its seriousness.

The Award System allotted points to faithful participation activities; an accumulation of 21 points enabled a student to receive a letter on "Award Day".

To raise funds and cooperate with the current Post Office Campaigns the Student Council sold zip code books.

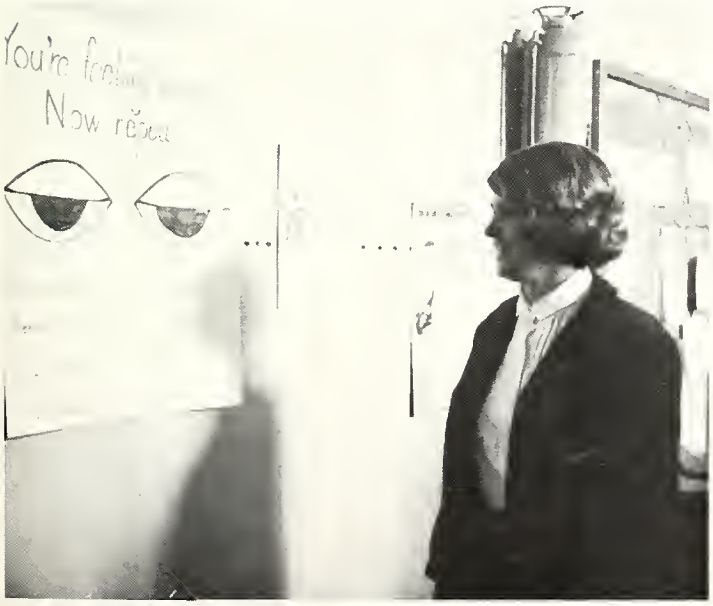
They collaborated with the other consolidating school in planning next year's school name, colors, songs, and team name.

Through these projects to benefit the student body, Student Council members have gained a knowledge of student government which has enabled them to play an important part in a smoothly operating DCHS.

Knowledge of Student Government.

In cooperation with the Ecumenical movement, the Student Council invited Rabbi Fredric Doppelt from the Fort Wayne Synagogue to speak at an assembly. Fr. Blank cordially welcomes Rabbi Doppelt to our assembly.

R. Massonne and S. Lengerich look really engrossed in something interesting as they the zip code book. Was there something in there that we missed?



If Charlotte stares at this poster much longer, she just might sleep through the whole election!

S. O'Shaughnessey puts in a good word for J. Baker, one of the candidates for president of the Student Council.

The captain's door reminds the crew that the faculty backs them all the way.

Wherever the Commodores go the faithful members of the DCHS Pep Club are sure to follow. This year started on an energetic note when football was introduced to DCHS. The Pep Club members had fun learning the rules of the game and new cheers to go with those rules.

In November the season of basketball started. It brought many pep sessions which added fire to the spirit of the student body. The week of the sectional gave the students and the members of the team enthusiasm and incentive to win. The halls were gayly decorated with streamers and posters that reminded the team members that the student body was backing them. After a two hour pep session before the sectional the Commodores had enough spark to take on anybody, but the Pep Club was willing to share in the team's defeats as well as victories.

This year they looked great in their new green sweaters, but trying to form the "White D" in the cheerblock during the Sectional Game reminded members of their first-grade writing exercises!

This year for the Pep Club had been a happy one with members cheering the mighty Commodores either on a chilly night at football or in a hot, tense gymnasium for basketball.

Pres.	N. Myers
V. Pres.	P. McBride
Sec.	A. Miller
Treas.	B. Keller

Enthusiastically the Pep Club

FRONT ROW: K. Schirack, M. Lichtle, R. Clark, D. Hurst, A. Schmitt, B. Cochran, C. Laurent, K. Laurent, A. Hackman. ROW 2: K. Schultz, E. Loshe, S. Miller, C. Fairchild, A. Ranly, M. Faurote, V. Braun, E. Schultz, J. Schultz, A. Kauffman, C. Gerber. ROW 3: D. Hurst, M. McDonald, N. Keller, M. Gase, J. Keller, M. Fullenkamp, R. Geimer, B. Gray, D. Hackman, B. Lose, B. Braun. ROW 4: D. Alberding, M. Heimann, D. Baker, L. Geimer, A. Heimann, C. Rumschlag, J. Carll, C. Majorki, M. Reynolds, R. Miller, J. Wolpert. ROW 5: C. Schultz, P. Schultz, J. Hake, B. Feasel, K. Hakes, M. Peterson, A. Becker, S. Kohne, P. Gross.

Everyone knows that you put a boat in water but L. Butler and S. Alberding are trying to put water under a boat.

What are they watching anyway--a ballgame or the Saturday Night Movie?

Led Our Team to Victory or Consoled Them After Defeat.

FRONT: M. Braun, P. Murphy, S. Hake, D. Cochran, M. Cook, C. Mies, S. Andrews, B. Keller, A. Miller, J. Baker, B. Schultz. ROW 2: C. Mowery, K. Lengerich, S. Reber, J. Baker, J. Kohne, P. McBride, G. Andrews, K. Geimer, S. Walter, P. Braun, V. Synder, S. O'Shaughnessey, B. Grove. ROW 3: E. Miller, R. Baker, J. Baker, S. Baker, N. Myers, C. O'Shaughnessey, M. Loshe, D. Coyne, J. Rickord, J. Wilder, M. Spangler. ROW 4: J. Litchfield, L. Becker, M. Brite, G. Gase, N. Heimann, J. Lengerich, J. Braun, M. Alberding, L. Elzey, P. Miller, T. Schultz. ROW 5: A. Martin, L. Heimann, S. Ulman, P. Carll.

Enthusiastic Cheerleaders Promote Spirit in Team

Varsity
Cheerleaders

C. Laurent
K. Laurent
A. Schmitt
B. Cochran

Cheerleading was given new spirit and added enthusiasm this year. Our four varsity Cheerleaders spent five summer days at a Cheerleading camp at Vincennes University. There they learned new cheers and also formed many ideas for improving our cheerblock. New excitement was added with the beginning of a football team this year. The Cheerleaders spent extra time preparing appropriate cheers as well as learning about the sport itself. They taught the cheerblock many group cheers which made games more enjoyable. With winter came our favorite sport, basketball. The Cheerleaders made innovations in the cheerblock to sharpen its appearance and boost its morale. At sectional time the Cheerleaders lent great spirit to the whole student body. They began new cheers and songs and the "spirit stick," which added fire to the cheerblock. Thus the Cheerleaders contributed much to our participation in sports, and to the whole concept of team effort and group backing.

and Student Body

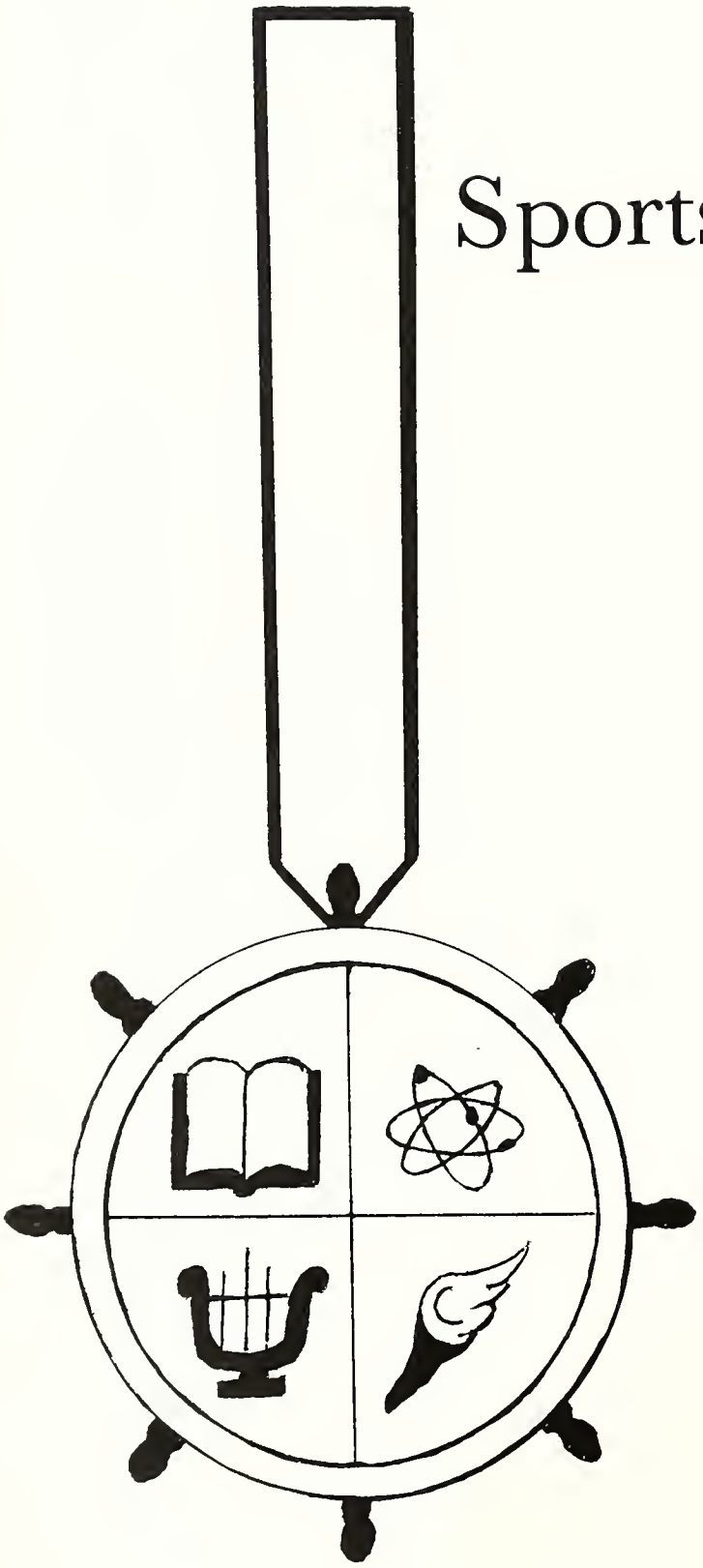
Freshmen Cheerleaders

S. Hake
M. R. Bravn
P. Murphy
A. Hackman

Reserve Cheerleaders

S. Andrews
C. Miese
M. Cook
D. Cochran

Sports



Sports is one key to competitiveness cooperation. Through participation in all phases of athletics, students could be instilled with deep sense of moral values and a true sense of sportsmanship. Whether they were the participants or the spectators, the conquerors or the conquered, they learned how to accept defeat generously and how to win graciously.

Hear Ye, Ladies, Hear Ye Gents, D.C.H.S. Proudly Presents . . .

FRONT ROW: T. Lose, S. Gage, D. Schurger, F. Schultz, H. Gray, K. O'Shaughessey, R. Kuhnle, G. Foos, G. Cook, P. Jesionowski, G. Ulman, S. Lengerich. ROW 2: W. Heiman, P. Mendez, J. Kohne, C. Bowers, T. Braun, R. Geimer, Joel Wolpert, J. Inskeep, P. Kohne, D. Tester, J. Schultz, C. Cook, T. Schurger, L. Van Popple. ROW 3: Coach Chuey, Jim Wolpert, A. Schultz, R. Massonne, J. Laurent, T. Lengerich, T. Bolinger, G. Litchfield, D. Kable, J. Heimann, M. Colchin, G. Halikowski, M. Terveer, D. Pierce, S. Hackman, Not Shown; J. Lose, J. Hackman.

Coach Bennett graduated from Indiana State in 1966 with a Bachelor of Science Degree. In college he majored in Phy. Ed. and minored in Health and Safety. Coach Bennett was active in sports throughout high school and college including four years of basketball and football, three years of track, and two years of baseball while he was in high school. In college he made the football team four years and the swimming team his senior year.

In his leisure time, Coach Bennett enjoyed riding his honda, skiing, skating, tennis and sailing.

At Decatur Catholic High, he is better known as the Head Football coach, and the Assistant Basketball Coach.

Concerning our first football team, Coach Bennett has stated that he was pleased with the number of boys that turned out and also that the team was better than he had expected. Mr. Bennett was also glad to see the new Junior High Football Program started and said he also appreciated the support of the parents, students, and cheerleaders.

Our Football Team!

It is too bad the Commodores cannot continue a football program. The first year is supposed to be the worst and the Commodores under the command of Coach Wally Bennett set sail to win three out of seven games and place 147th out of a statewide field of 272.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank all those generous individuals who contributed to the success of this program by means of time as well as financial aid. Without their assistance Decatur Catholic High School football would never have become a reality.

As a reminder of our first season, we wish to resurrect a few highpoints from our graveyard of milestones. Dan Kable, our 200-pound senior, made our first touchdown of the season against Adams Central, and Mike Terveer completed our first extra point. However, the play which will remain in our memories longest was Tim Lengerich's fabulous eighty-six yard touchdown against Adams Central.

Litch & Schultz . . . I tell ya, we're made for each other.

Bowers . . . Would you believe that I don't have the ball? So get off my back!

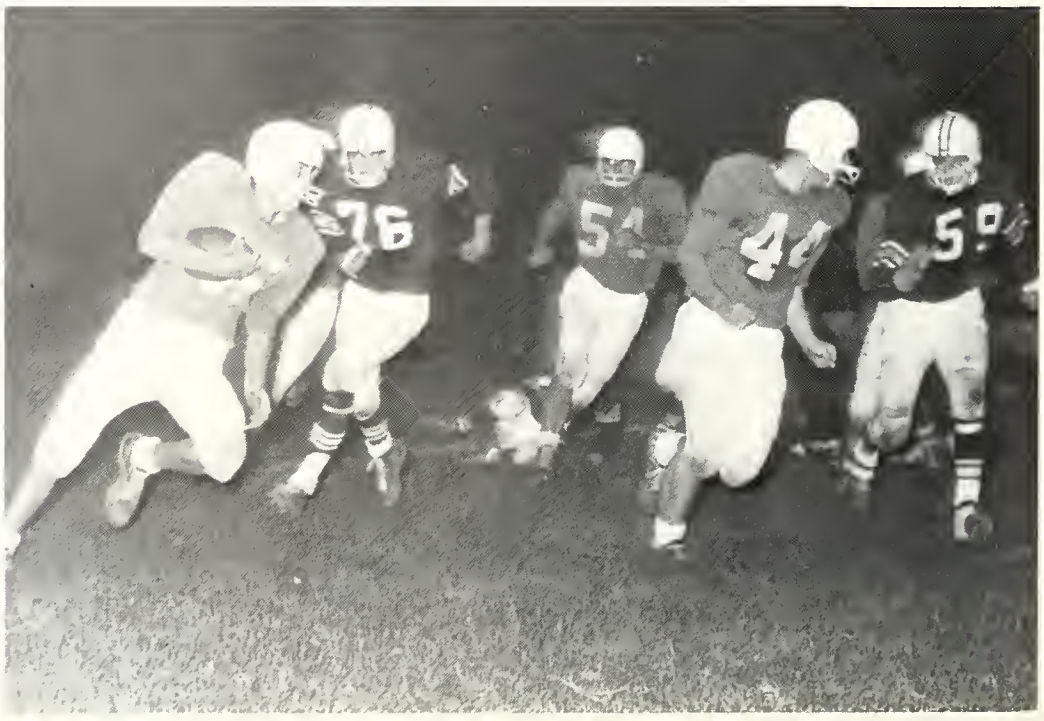
WE		THEY
0	Bishop Luers	33
26	Adams Central	0
18	Parkway	12
26	Adams Central	6
6	White Institute	14
2	Bluffton	7
7	Leo	14

Sports Spark Spirit at D.C.H.S.

Lose . . . and the Turtle wins by a hand.

"Okay Now, Everybody FREEZE!" Say Lengerich and Kable.

Schultz: "Exit Stage Left!"
Kable: "Keep Away From Johnny; He's My Friend!"
Wolpert: "Hold On! I'm A'comin'!"



Basketball Sparks Spirit at Decatur Catholic High

Indiana Basketball is often referred to as "Hoosier Hysteria". The Decatur Catholic Commodores 1966-67 basketball season again proved to be just this as our heroes ended what was to be a "building" season with nine wins and twelve losses.

The wildest demonstration of "Commodore Hysteria" would have to be the Huntington Catholic Tourney in which our boys triumphed 57-53 over the host team.

Coach Chuey did a fine job, especially when it is realized that we had only two returning lettermen who had actually played last year. Had our school not disbanded at this time, we would undoubtedly have had a great future success in basketball. The Sophomores and Juniors have had much experience in this last "building" season which will help toward their qualifying for future teams.

We wish to thank the team, student managers, parents and all the fans who have helped make a fine 66-67 Commodore finale.

Cheerleaders and Team receive awards to present to parents.

Heart Fund King and Queen, little Chris Meyers and Pam Frey.

"Parents Appreciation Night" was held at the Adams Central gym during the D.C.H.S.--Bryant game. Above, Charlotte Laurent is presented award by Fr. Blank. Inscribed on the trophy is "Perfect Cheerleading Record" D.C.H.S. 1963-1967.

FRONT ROW: T. Lose, M. Terveer, P. Baker, J. Heimann, R. Villagomez, G. Halikowski. ROW 2: J. Boch, T. Schultz, C. Cook, D. Geimer, J. Schultz, D. Kable, Coach Chuey.

"It's a bird, it's a plane, it's Super Goose!" Lose and Terveer inform us.

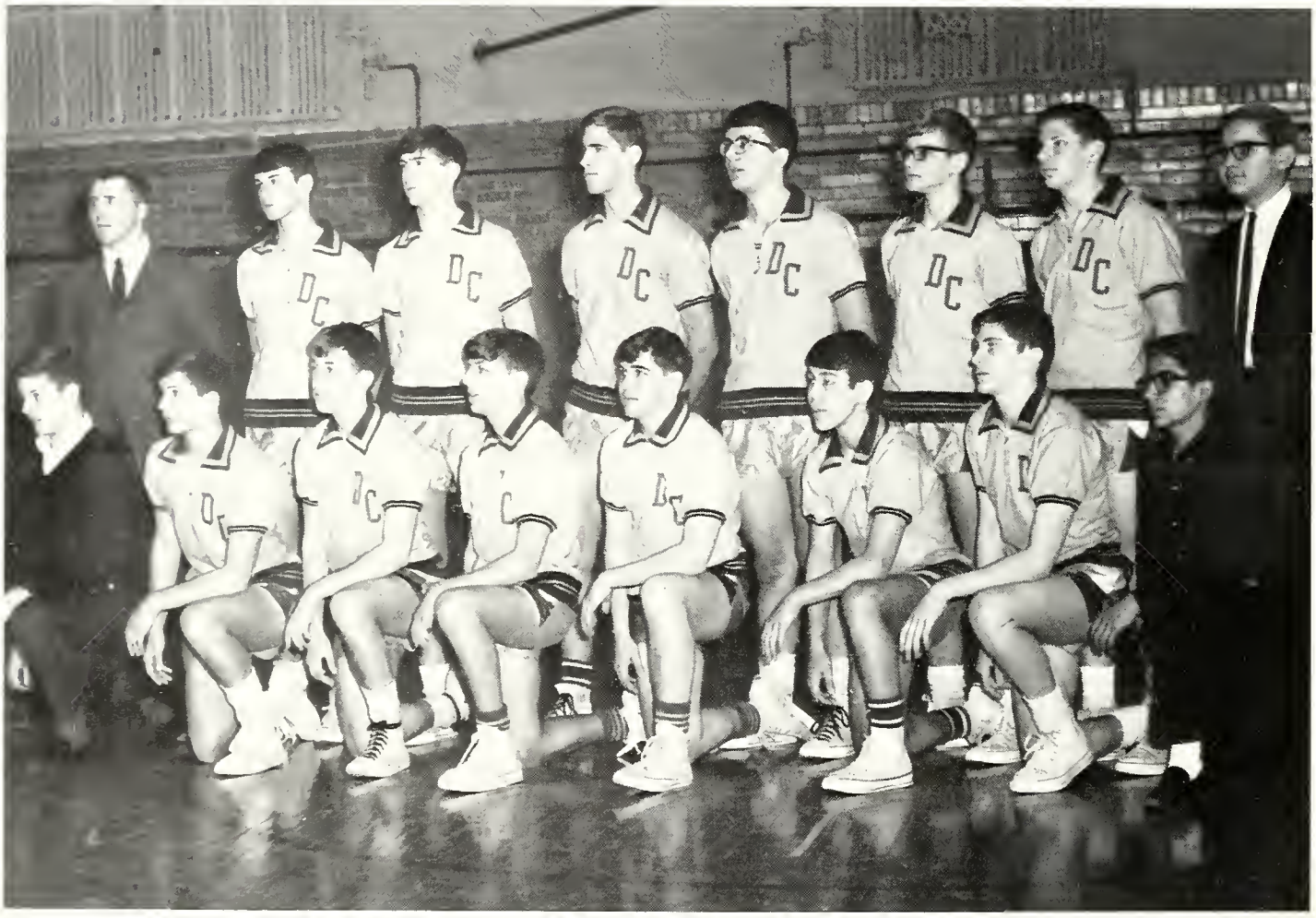
Says Cook, "Hey, I can almost touch the ceiling," and Lose stands amazed.

Decatur Catholic	75	Madison Township	74	
Decatur Catholic	49	Montpelier	83	
Decatur Catholic	42	Adams Central	61	
Decatur Catholic	48	Monmouth	65	
Decatur Catholic	57	Redkey	53	
Decatur Catholic	70	Huntington Catholic	68	
Decatur Catholic	72	Arcola	67	
Decatur Catholic	70	South Whitley	65	
Decatur Catholic	73	Albion	65	
Decatur Catholic	57	Huntington Catholic	53	(Tourney)
Decatur Catholic	45	Monroeville	63	
Decatur Catholic	79	Lancaster Central	68	
Decatur Catholic	48	Bishop Dwenger	58	
Decatur Catholic	57	Southern Wells	60	
Decatur Catholic	83	Wapakoneta (Ohio)	69	
Decatur Catholic	40	Marion Bennett	56	
Decatur Catholic	67	Crestview, Ohio	76	
Decatur Catholic	52	Fort Wayne Snider	87	
Decatur Catholic	59	Bishop Luers	78	
Decatur Catholic	48	Bryant	75	
Decatur Catholic	39	Bluffton	72	(Sectional)

Coach Cheuy's manner is relaxed and informal as he gives some helpful tips to a student.

Kable and Geimer Approve His Style as Charlie Leaps for the Ball.

DCHS Reserves Concentrated on Character This Year . . .



FRONT ROW: D. Schurger, T. Bolinger, W. Heimann, J. Hackman, J. Inskeep, D. Tester, P. Kohne. P. Mendez. ROW 2: Coach Bennett, R. Massonne, J. Laurent, S. Rumschlag, J. Wolpert, S. Gage, J. Kohne, P. Rumschlag.

The D.C.H.S. Reserves coached by Mr. Bennett ended their season with a record of six wins and twelve losses. This was also to be a building season as Coach Bennett was preparing our B-Team to fill the shoes of the varsity players.

"The team went into a slump after Christmas vacation and finally came out of it to win our last," said Mr. Bennett. It is felt that there is potential varsity material for next year's team at the new school.

Probably the game that showed this best was the last game against Bryant in which the Reserves held their lead for their final victory.

Mr. Bennett talks to the team during one of his more serious moments. "Losing builds character, men, but we have enough characters in here already."

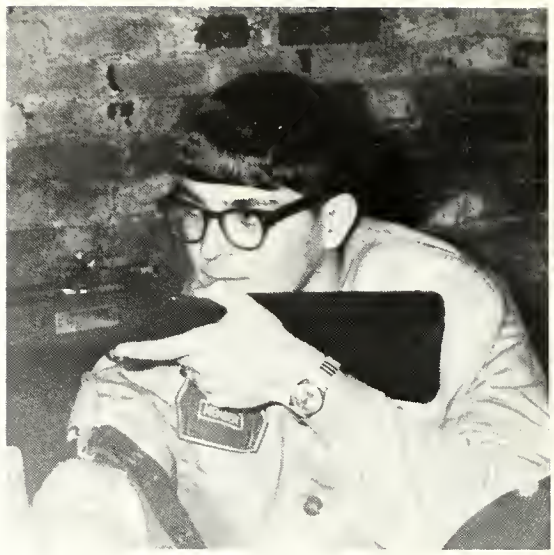
. . . While the Freshmen Fought To Win!

The freshman team coached by Mr. Charles Henkenius turned out an even season with eight wins and eight losses. Also adding to the spirit of the freshman team was Father Paquette, Athletic Director for the grade school sports system. Thanks to the fine coaching and time generously by Mr. Henkenius, there is good material in the freshmen for future teams.

Displaying plenty of ambition is freshman Greg Cook, as he stretches to top Fred Schultz for the ball during one of their active practice sessions (and that must have been a long stretch!).

FRONT ROW: G. Grove, G. Cook, B. Hackman, T. Litchfield, J. Lose, P. Jesionowski. SECOND ROW: R. Kuhnle, D. Braun, D. Geimer, F. Schultz, T. Niblick, G. Foos, S. Alberding, M. McBride, C. Kortenber, Father Paquette.

Ready on the range, take aim, . . . and may the best man win!



The D.C.H.S. Rifle Club consists of two teams: the 4-position team and the prone team. The 4-position team shoots in all four positions: prone, sitting, kneeling, and standing. The prone team is usually made up of beginners.

All the members of the 4-position team hold an expert rating, the second highest rating awarded by the National Rifle Association.

D.C.H.S. came in second and third at the county match and the prone team came in first at the Indiana State Rifle Match at Culver.

Under the leadership of Don Gage and Mark Colchin, the Hotshots had a record of eleven wins and two losses.

DCHS Boys' and Girls' Hotshots Set an All-School Record

FRONT ROW: S. Heimann, A. Schultz, G. Sharp, J. Selking, M. Meyer, D. Tricker, R. Geimer. ROW 2: S. Lengerich, B. Mowery, T. Miller, R. Kuhnle, J. Walsh, T. Lengerich, M. Colchin, P. Rumschlag.

. . . with a Combined Season of 23 Wins and 4 Losses!

Girls Rifle Club

FRONT ROW: B. Braun, R. Colchin, J. Carll, C. Rumschlag, S. Schurger, V. Braun, J. Lengerich.

ROW 2: A. Becker, D. Miller, M. Geels, P. Gross, J. Rickord, D. Hurst, A. Kauffman.

M. Geels aims carefully and prepares to shoot.

J. Rickord is the first girl in the county to get an expert rating.

The Girls Hotshots, headed by Mrs. Paul Gross and Mrs. Mark Colchin have a record of twelve wins and two losses. They were obviously very well trained by Mr. Don Gage and Mr. Mark Colchin.

At Culver this year the girls came home with six out of nine medals, three of which were won by Joyce Lengerich, and the other three by Joella Carll.

Congratulations girls, on a very good season!

Commodores Wind Up Last Baseball Season While Pondering

FRONT ROW: T. Bolinger, R. Kuhnle, G. Foos, M. McBride, P. Mendez, ROW 2: M. Terveer, J. Hackman, S. Gage, J. Kohne, L. Van Poppel, ROW 3: Coach Chuey, G. Halikowski, T. Lose, D. Kable, C. Cook, J. Laurent, J. Walsh, T. Miller, P. Rumschlag.

Pitchers T. Lose and M. Terveer warm up as Kuhnle, Cook, and Halikowski await their turn.

The Decatur Catholic Commodores baseball team has completed its final season of sports at DCHS. The team, coached by Mr. Robert Chuey and assistant Wally Bennett, ended with a total of five wins and eleven losses.

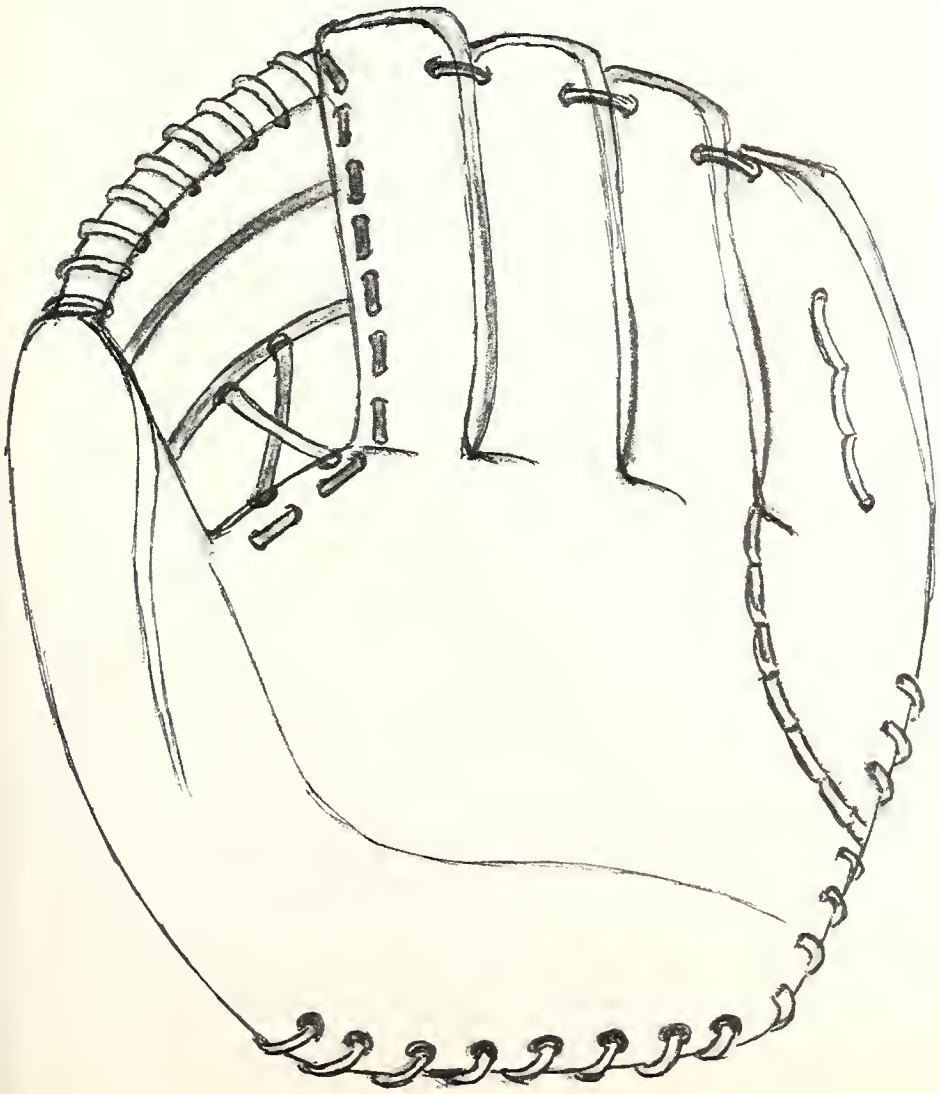
Although this made the poorest record the Commodores had this year, the other objectives of athletics, namely physical fitness, enjoyment, sportsmanship, and team effort were well developed by Commodore baseball. In serving these purposes, it indeed served us well.

Their Sports Future

"Sorry, no autographs now, fans," says Halikowski seriously.

T. Lose (alias skin) hits one to help the Commodores out.

Lose displays his acting ability as Laurent approves the joke. Bolinger and Hackman look elsewhere.



WE	TEAM	THEY
0	Columbia City	1
7	Delphos	0
1	New Haven	5
2	South Adams	4
9	Ohio City	5
3	Bluffton	4
1	Delphos	4
8	South Adams	5
1	Huntington	8
0	Crestview	4
2	Parkway	8
3	Monmouth	1
5	Ohio City	7
5	Crestview	8
1	Monroeville	6
7	Monmouth	4

Girls All Agree: Volleyball Was Most Enjoyable Pastime!

FRONT ROW: B. Cochran, R. Razo, B. Schultz, D. Cochran, L. Geimer, N. Myers, J. Baker, C. Laurent. ROW 2: P. Carll, A. Becker, S. Kohne, J. Carll, B. Lose, A. Miller, P. McBride. ROW 3: C. Schultz, C. Rumschlag, K. Geimer, P. Gross, B. Keller, M. Cook, J. Kohne, C. Mowery, Mrs. Terveer.

Liz Terveer takes a deep breath and prepares to mow down her opponents.

Debbie Cochran backs Linda Geimer at one of their fast-moving volleying sessions.

High Schoolers Vie for Intramural Title

Freshmen tense as sophomore Hess attempts a free throw.

Seniors Litchfield, Kuhnle, Walsh, Kable, Lose, and Peterson rejoice in their intramural basketball victory over the Juniors. Aren't YOU happy, John?

Kuhnle and Straub vie for the ball during the Junior-Senior game.

This year's intramurals were held in basketball, volleyball, bombardment, and soccer. Would you believe the Silly Sophs won soccer? They did. The Jolly Juniors rallied to take the bombardment title while the Mighty Seniors took honors in volleyball and basketball. Last but not least, we must mention that the faculty overcame the Seniors in a tiring but thrilling game.

There seems to be a lack of response as Mr. Noll says, "Basketball? Ah, there's nothing to it."

DCHS Honors Athletes at Final

Long associated with DCHS, Julius Baker made an appropriate M.C.

As best defensive basketball player, Tom Lose received a plaque from Coach Chuey.

Janet Rickord merits a "Well done!" from Don Gage.

Msgr. Schmitt delivers his final Athletic Banquet Address.

Banquet

DCHS held its last Athletic Banquet at the new K.C. Pavillion. The program began with a dinner followed by numerous tributes, highlighted by the main speaker, sportscaster Len Davis. Basketball and baseball awards were given by Coach Chuey, football awards by Coach Bennett, and rifle awards by Mr. Don Gage. Cheerleaders, managers, and the many adult sponsors of our athletic program were also recognized. Need we record that nostalgia was the abiding note.

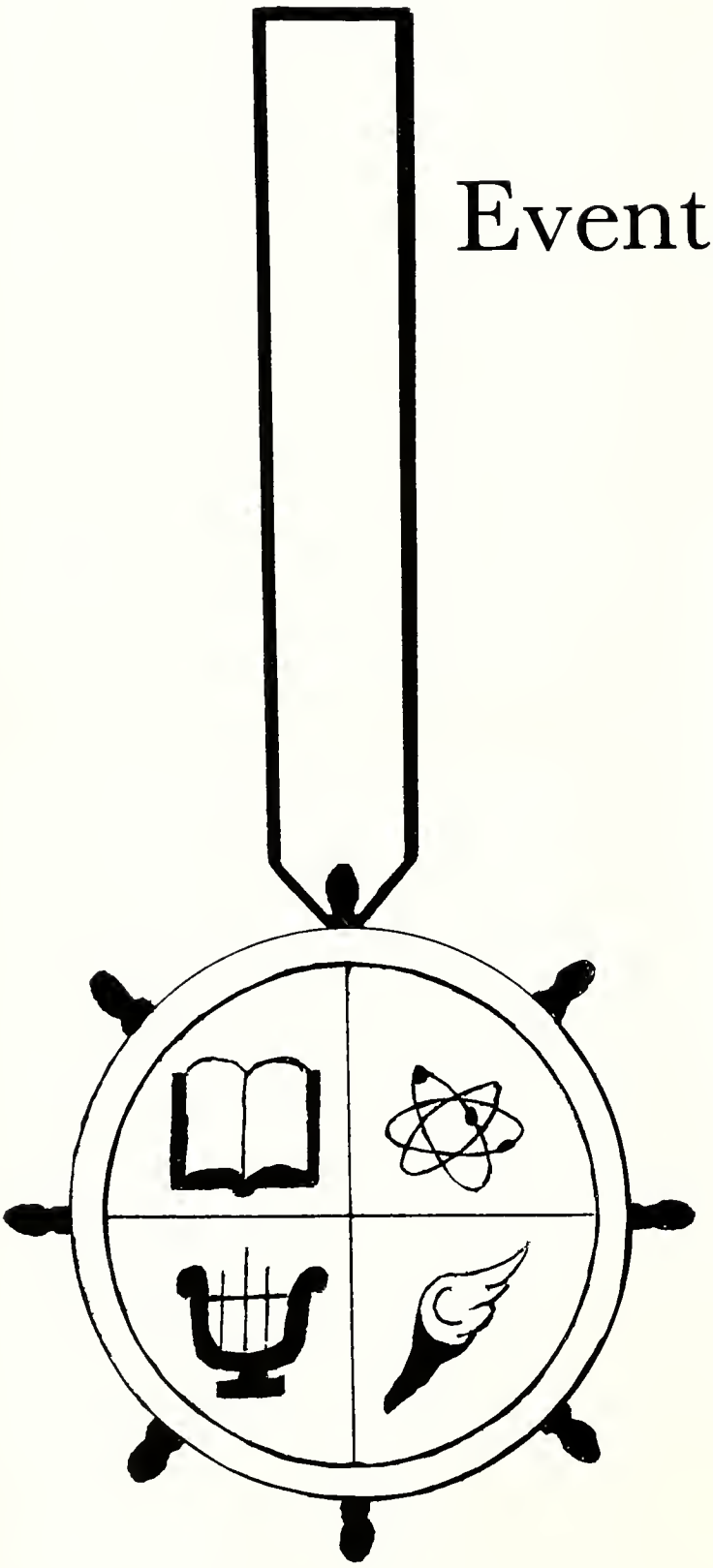
A place in thy memory, Decatur,
Is all that we claim;
To pause and look back when thou hearest
The sound of our name:
DCHS.

Coach Chuey livens things up with a warm sense of humor.

To her surprise, Mrs. Terveer receives a volleyball award from Fr. Blank, who then went on to deliver the closing speech for the last DCHS Athletic Banquet.

Senior Greg Litchfield is awarded a letter for participation in football by Coach Bennett.

Events



Through social events the students found the key to meaningful association and communication with others. Group work and group accomplishment taught individuals the value of sharing toil and enjoying achievement. Participation in such events added much to school life and was an invaluable aid in building the students of today into well-rounded adults of tomorrow.

Brenda Reigns Graciously Despite Heavy Plaster Cast!

KC Pavilion Was Court for '67 Royalty, Schultz, Cochran

On a beautiful January evening, Decatur Catholic High School chose its final home-coming queen. Five candidates had been elected earlier in the week by the student body. Excitement ran high as the fans, team, and candidates awaited the name of the winner. Our new queen, Brenda Cochran, was crowned by last year's winner, Patty Geimer. Brenda was a radiant queen who kept her poise skillfully despite a broken leg.

The evening was made more resplendent by a Commodore victory and a dance at the new K.C. Pavillion. Queen Brenda crowned her date, Commodore forward John Schultz as our new king.

The evening contributed many fine memories to all who attended. We did not know then that it was the last homecoming for DCHS, so it was truly one of pure enjoyment and beauty, unmixed with the heightened emotion that characterized many of the later events which occurred after the vote to close the school.

Sue Walter eyes with amusement a defensive Leo Schurger: a five o'clock shadow at Homecoming Dance?

Former homecoming queen Pat Geimer crowns Brenda Cochran 1967 homecoming queen in the presence of her lovely court; S. O'Shaughnessey, B. Keller, K. Geimer, J. Baker, C. Cheuy, C. Laurent, and M. Faurote.

Seniors and Juniors Enjoy Spring Prom, "A Summer Place."

Social events at Decatur Catholic High School, reached their culmination with the annual junior-senior prom.

Young ladies and gentlemen turned out for the events in beautiful dress and spirit.

The evening began with a delicious banquet and a few welcome words from several faculty members and the class presidents.

Gaiety mingled with sadness constituted the atmosphere of this particular prom. It will be remembered not only as the last Decatur Catholic Prom, but as one of the school's finest.

Indeed, May 3, 1967 will long be enjoyed in retrospect by all who attended. For a few brief hours the Community Center truly was a lovely "Summer Place."

In a garden enclosed, surrounded by flowering trees and flowing punch, busy students are transformed into relaxed and elegant people of leisure.

The junior class officers; K. Laurent, J. Kohone, J. Boch and Pres. T. Lengrich cordially welcome the senior class officers, Pres. S. O'Shaughnessey, J. Becker, J. Baker, and C. Laurent, to the annual DCHS prom.

P. McBride and P. Loshe admire Mary's beautiful grotto. The grotto was marked by a trickling fountain and spring flowers.

Couples dance to the swinging music of "The Other Five," while others relax with refreshments and conversation.

Leo Miller, the last graduate of the last class, receives his diploma.

Graduation . . . the end. The end of hard study, brainwracking tests, report cards. The end of football and basketball games, pep rallies, and school dances. But graduation was also a beginning of a broader horizon of education, Reception of the coveted diploma, on May 26, was a milestone signaling new challenges and responsibilities in the complex world of an adult. For all the graduates, accepting their diplomas brought a feeling of deep satisfaction, received from the effort and hard work put into their studies.

This year's graduation had special meaning for many for it was the last graduation at Decatur Catholic High School. But all were reminded that our school is not dead, that it lives on in all its alumni and especially, in the last class of Decatur Catholic High School, the class of 1967.

Monsignor Simeon Schmitt prepares to give the graduates their diplomas and awards.

Father Ambrose Heimann addresses the graduates.

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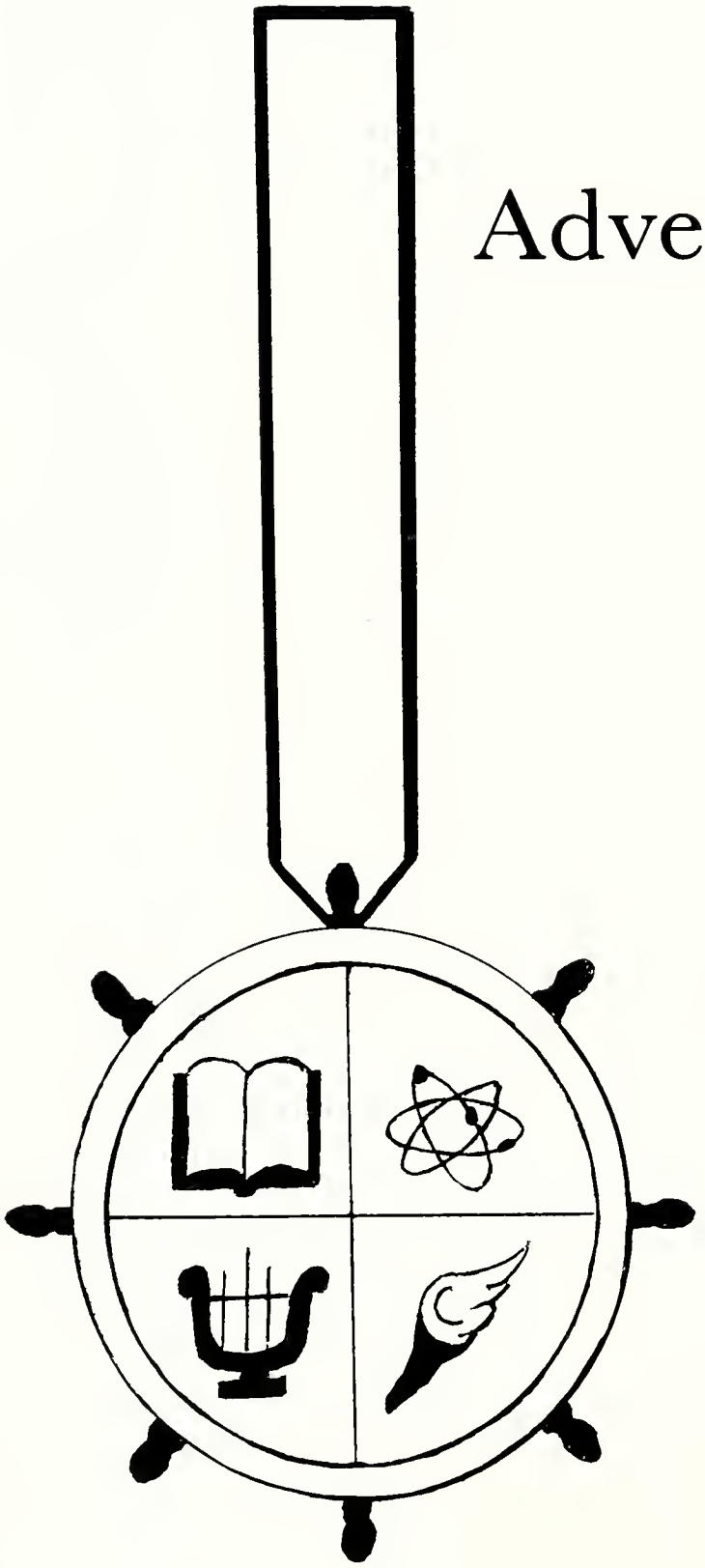

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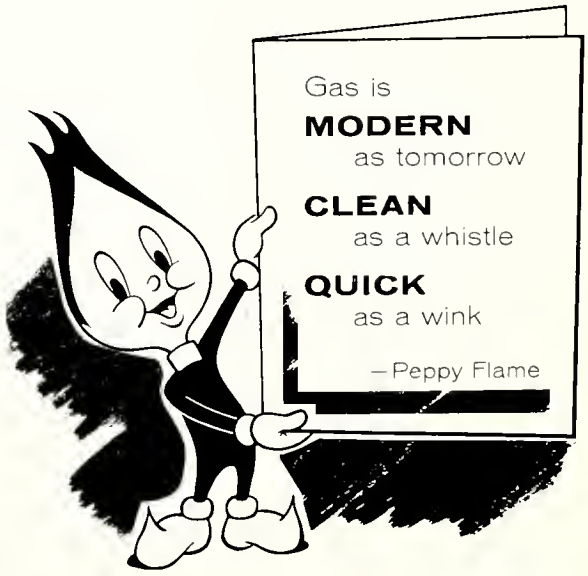

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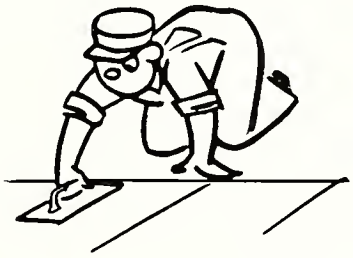

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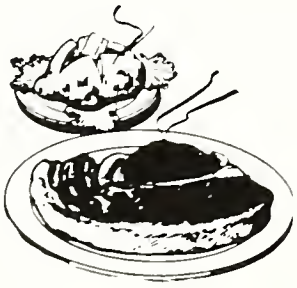

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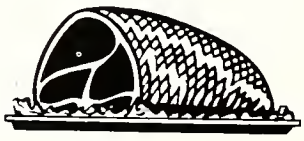

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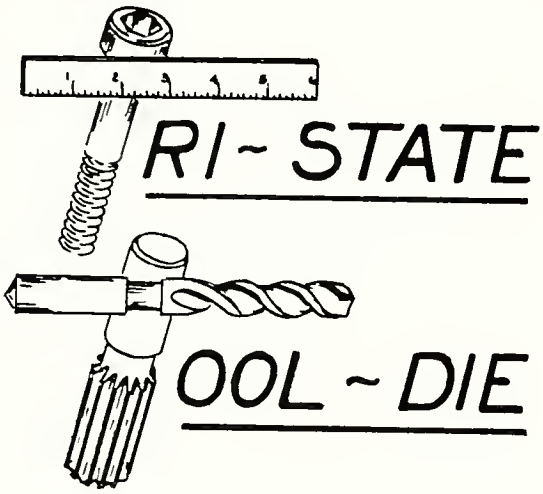

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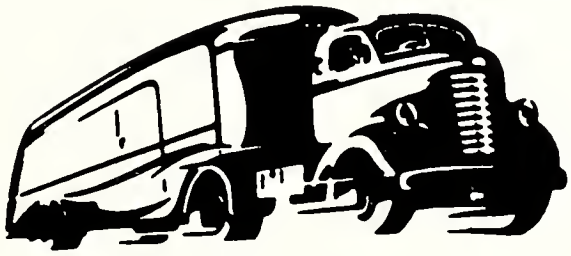

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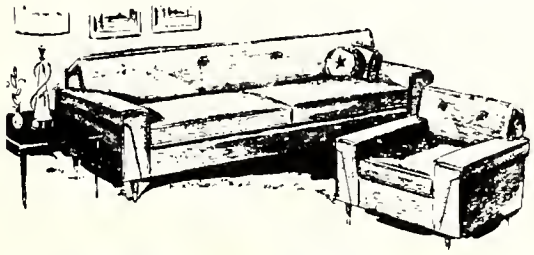

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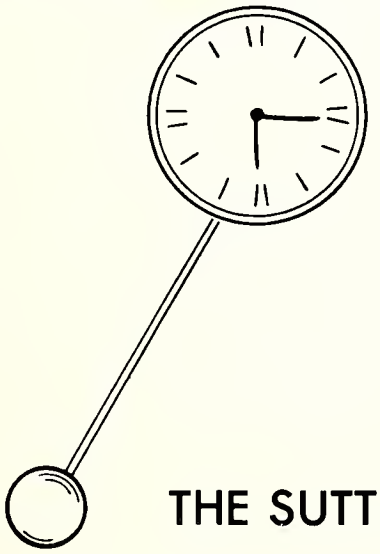

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